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MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING; OO: WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AS ADVISED BY FBIHQ EARLY THIS MORNING, NEW YORK INTENDS TO
INTERVIEW ELEVEN RETURNING HOSTAGES FROM THE ACHILLES LAURO AT JFKIA
ON OCTOBER 12, WHEN THEY ARRIVE VIA A UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
C-141. IN ANTICIPATION OF THIS THE FOLLOWING IS REQUESTED:

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LEGAT BONN. ASSIGN ONE ASSISTANT LEGAT TO BOARD THE C-141
DURING ITS REFUELING STOP AT RHEIN-MAIN AFB AND DURING THE FLIGHT

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"PREP" THE HOSTAGES AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS AS TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE BUREAU TO INTERVIEW THEM AS SOON AS THEY ARRIVE. NEW YORK FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE ORDEAL THEY HAVE BEEN THROUGH AND THE RIGORS OF A LONG FLIGHT ON A MILITARY AIRCRAFT, AND HAS RESERVED ROOMS AT AN AIRPORT HOTEL FOR THEIR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE INTERVIEWS. IT SHOULD BE STRESSED THAT THESE INTERVIEWS BE CONDUCTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BEFORE THEY DISPERSE TO THEIR HOMES AND THE MIRIAD OF PRESS ACCOUNTS BEGIN TO CIRCULATE, CONFUSING THEIR OWN RECOLLECTIONS.

LEGAT ROME. THROUGH APPROPRIATE ITALIAN CONTACTS OBTAIN A COPY OF THE SHIPS DECK PLANS FOR USE IN INTERVIEWING THE HOSTAGES. FURTHER, OBTAIN EITHER THROUGH COOPERATE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES, OR APPROPRIATE US MILITARY INTELLIGENCE CONTACTS AT THE SIGONELLA AIR BASE IN SICILY, MUGSHOTS OF THE FOUR HIJACKERS FOR USE IN A LINEUP. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE FLOWN ASAP, OR FACSIMILED AS A POORER ALTERNATIVE, TO NEW YORK PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST HOSTAGES TOMORROW.

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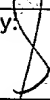
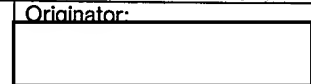
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USE AND PREPARATION OF FORM 0-73

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ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERAGENCY
HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING GROUP INTERVIEWED THE FOLLOWING HOSTAGES WHO

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[REDACTED]
TELEPHONE NUMBER 312-498-3466, [REDACTED] THE SHIP
DOCKED AT NAPLES, ITALY. [REDACTED] AND HER HUSBAND, [REDACTED] DISEMBARKED
AND TOURED THE CITY. UPON REBOARDING, THERE WAS NO PASSPORT
EXAMINATION OR SECURITY CHECK.

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ON OCTOBER 6, 1985, THE SHIP DOCKED IN ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT,
AND SHE TOOK A SHORT TOUR OF THE CITY. THERE WAS A LARGE TOUR
GROUP OF AMERICANS THAT PARTICIPATED IN A TOUR OF CAIRO, EGYPT,
THAT WERE TO RETURN TO THE SHIP UPON DOCKING IN PORT SAID.

[REDACTED] AND HER HUSBAND TOOK A SHORT TOUR OF ALEXANDRIA AND
RETURNED TO THE SHIP IN THAT IT WAS SCHEDULED TO DEPART AT 9:45 A.M.
UPON REBOARDING THE SHIP, THERE WAS NO EXAMINATION OF TICKETS,
PASSPORTS, OR SECURITY EXAMINATION.

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[REDACTED] DID NOT RECALL ANY EGYPTIAN SECURITY PERSONNEL OR
AUTHORITIES CONDUCTING ANY KIND OF IDENTIFICATION CHECK IN THE
DOCK AREA OF THE SHIP.

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THE SHIP DEPARTED AT APPROXIMATELY 10:30 P.M. ON 10/7/55, AND AT APPROXIMATELY 10:45 P.M., [REDACTED], HER HUSBAND [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WERE SEATED IN THE DINING ROOM AREA OF THE SHIP. THEY WERE SEATED NEAR THE KITCHEN ENTRANCE/EXIT DOOR (INDICATED BY NUMBER ONE ON [REDACTED]). SAIRE IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS A U.S. DIPLOMAT, STATIONED IN VIENNA, AUSTRIA.

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WHILE DINING, [REDACTED] HEARD SEVERAL LOUD NOISES THAT SHE BELIEVES WERE GUN SHOTS. SHE OBSERVED FIVE OR SIX SHIP CREW MEMBERS RUNNING OUT OF THE KITCHEN DOOR. FOLLOWING THESE CREW MEMBERS WERE TWO OR THREE ARAB MALES. ONE OF THE CREW MEMBERS WAS SHOT IN THE LEG AND THE ARAB MALES CONTINUED FIRING MACHINE GUNS WHEN THEY ENTERED THE DINING ROOM. THE CREW MEMBERS AND THE ARAB MALES WERE YELLING IN PORTUGUESE, ITALIAN AND ENGLISH FOR THE PASSENGERS TO GET ON THE FLOOR. [REDACTED] ADVISED

[REDACTED] AND HER HUSBAND TO GET UNDER THE TABLE WHICH SHE DID.

WHILE ON THE FLOOR UNDER THE TABLE, [REDACTED] PROVIDED HIS WIFE, [REDACTED] WITH HIS U.S. DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT. [REDACTED]

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THE DOOR WHERE THE HIJACKERS AND THE CREW MEMBERS EXITED THE KITCHEN IS INDICATED BY NUMBER 2 ON THE DIAGRAM.

A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME LATER, ONE OF THE HIJACKERS MOTIONED ALL OF THE PASSENGERS IN THE DINING ROOM TO MOVE TO THE FRONT OF THE DINING ROOM. THE PASSENGERS WERE NOT ALLOWED TO WALK AND HAD TO STAY ON THE FLOOR AND CRAWL. APPROXIMATELY TEN MINUTES LATER, THE CAPTAIN OF THE SHIP MADE AN ANNOUNCEMENT OVER THE PUBLIC ADDRESS (PA) SYSTEM THAT ALL PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS WERE TO REPORT TO THE MAIN DINING ROOM. AT THIS TIME, THERE WERE TWO OR THREE HIJACKERS IN THE DINING ROOM AREA.

THE HIJACKERS POSITIONS AT THIS TIME ARE NOTED AS NUMBERS 3, 4, AND 5 ON THE DIAGRAM.

ONE HIJACKER (WHO WILL BE IDENTIFIED AS UNSUB ONE BELOW, WAS IN THE FRONT OF THE DINING ROOM AND ORDERED THE CREW MEMBERS TO MOVE THE TABLES AND CHAIRS OUT OF THE FRONT AREA OF THE DINING ROOM. ALSO MOVED AT THIS TIME WAS THE TABLE WHEREIN [REDACTED] [REDACTED] PASSPORT WAS HIDDEN.

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ONE OF THE THREE HIJACKERS APPEARED TO BE IN CONTROL AT THE TIME THE OTHER ONE GAVE A "POLITICAL SPEECH" IN BROKEN ENGLISH, STATING "REAGAN NO GOOD, AMERICA NO GOOD, ISRAEL NO GOOD, BEGIN NO GOOD". DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME, THE HIJACKERS COMMUNICATED AMONG THEMSELVES IN ARABIC.

[REDACTED] OBSERVED THAT THE HIJACKERS WERE ARMED WITH BLACK METAL MACHINE GUNS WITH WOODEN STOCKS, PISTOLS (UNKNOWN IF AUTOMATIC OR REVOLVERS), AND TWO HAND GRENADES EACH. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED THESE HAND GRENADES AS OVAL, BROWN COLORED, "PINEAPPLE TYPE", WITH A METAL PIN.

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED THE HIJACKERS AS FOLLOWS:

INSIDE ONE IS A ARAB MALE, APPROXIMATELY 23 YEARS OLD, 5'11"-6', SLIM BUILD, BLACK FULL MUSTACHE, BLACK BURLY HAIR, WEARING A BLACK/WHITE/GRAY JACKET/SWEATSHIRT WITH "MAN" PRINTED ON THE FRONT OF IT AND THE AMERICAN PRINTING "HAVE THE COURAGE TO BE GREAT" PRINTED

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[REDACTED] IS DESCRIBED AS AN ARAB MALE, 24-25 YEARS OLD, 6', 155 POUNDS, DARK STRAIGHT SHORT HAIR, WEARING A WHITE JACKET, LIGHT BLUE "TANK TOP", DARK BLUE JEANS, AND EITHER LOAFERS OR SNEAKERS.

UNSUB THREE IS AN ARAB MALE, 23-24 YEARS OLD, APPROXIMATELY 5'9", APPROXIMATELY 150 POUNDS, DARK STRAIGHT HAIR, (NEATLY TRIMMED), WHITE OPEN NECK SHIRT, WITH ROLLED UP SLEEVES, BLUE JEANS AND PROBABLY SNEAKERS.

UNSUB ONE WAS DESCRIBED AS BEING "THE MOST CONSIDERATE" TO THE HOSTAGES IN THAT HE OFFERED CIGARETTES TO THE PASSENGERS AND ALLOWED THEM TO UTILIZE THE RESTROOMS. [REDACTED] HEARD HIM REFERRED TO AS [REDACTED] (PH). HE COULD NOT CONVERSE IN ENGLISH, HOWEVER, DID KNOW SOME ENGLISH WORDS.

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MAIN SALON; IT-HOSTAGE TAKING; OO: WFO

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF HOSTAGES ON BOARD THE ITALIAN CRUISE

SHIP "LE ACHILLE LAURO" ON OCTOBER 12, 1985.

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ONE MAN, ONE WOMAN, AND ONE CHILD.

THEY WERE TOLD BY THE CAPTAIN OF THE SHIP THAT THEY WERE TO BE
IMMEDIATELY THREATENED THE CAPTAIN WITH A GUN, AND THE CAPTAIN
PASSENGERS ORIGINALLY WENT FROM THERE, AND WENT ALONG WITH TO THE
THE TOILET. HE WOULD HAVE "NO TOILET, [REDACTED] (PH)".

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT UNSUBS ONE AND TWO WERE DEFINITELY TWO
OF THE HIJACKERS THAT TOOK CONTROL OF THE DINING AREA. UNSUB THREE
ALSO POSSIBLY PARTICIPATED IN THE DINING ROOM TAKEOVER.

AFTER THE PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS WERE MOVED TO THE FRONT
OF THE DINING ROOM, UNSUB ONE REQUESTED TO KNOW IF ANY OF THE CREW
OR PASSENGERS SPOKE ARABIC. THE SHIP'S FEMALE INFORMATION OFFICER
ADVISED UNSUB ONE THAT SHE SPOKE ARABIC ON A LIMITED BASIS. UNSUB
ONE THEN STATED "JEWS STAND UP". AN AUSTRIAN COUPLE (UNKNOWN)
STOOD UP AND UNSUB ONE ORDERED THEM TO THE FRONT OF THE DINING ROOM
WHERE HE PROVIDED THEM WITH "CREAMPIFFS".

THE FEMALE SHIP INFORMATION OFFICER REQUESTED TO SPEAK WITH
THE CAPTAIN AND APPROXIMATELY TWO AND A HALF HOURS LATER, THE
CAPTAIN CAME TO THE DINING ROOM. THE CAPTAIN ANNOUNCED THAT HE
HAD MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE HIJACKERS TO ALLOW THE PASSENGERS

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THEY WERE TO MOVE FROM THE DINING AREA TO THE ARAZZI LOUNGE ON THE
FRONT DECK. THE HIJACKERS THEN ESCORTED THE PASSENGERS AND
THEY TO THE ARAZZI LOUNGE WITH THE CAPTAIN CONTINUOUSLY CAUTIONING
AGAINST ANY INDIVIDUAL "DOING ANYTHING WRONG". THE PASSENGERS
WERE NOT FORCED TO WALK WITH THEIR HANDS OVER THEIR HEAD OR ON
THEIR HEAD.

UPON THEIR ARRIVAL IN THE ARAZZI LOUNGE, UNSUB TWO WAS OBSERVED
ALREADY THERE.

[REDACTED] REQUESTED UNSUB TWO PERMISSION TO USE THE RESTROOM
AND WAS ALLOWED TO DO SO WITHOUT A HIJACKER ESCORT. WHILE IN
THE LOUNGE AREA, THE FEMALE PASSENGERS WERE FORCED TO UTILIZE
BOTTLES AND CONTAINERS AS URINALS IN THE STAGE AREA BEHIND THE
CURTAIN OF THE LOUNGE. THE SECOND DAY OF THE TAKEOVER, THE
MALE PASSENGERS WERE ALSO ALLOWED TO UTILIZE THE RESTROOMS.

SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVAL IN THE LOUNGE AREA, AN UNKNOWN HIJACKER
REQUESTED THAT THE KITCHEN CREW MEMBERS COME FORWARD AND THEY WERE
THEREAFTER ORDERED TO PREPARE FOOD. THE KITCHEN CREW WAS NOT
ACCOMPANIED BY ANY HIJACKER.

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THE HIJACKERS THEN PROCEEDED TO THE LOUNGE AND PASSENGER AREA. THE HIJACKERS FIRST ENTERED THE LOUNGE, ATTEMPTED TO TAKE THE U.S. PASSPORTS TO THEIR OWNERS AND MAINTAINED THE U.S. PASSPORTS. THE HIJACKERS WERE ALSO OBSERVED TO HAVE IN THEIR POSSESSION THE SHIP'S PASSENGER MANIFEST.

AFTER THE AMERICANS PROVIDED THEIR PASSPORTS TO THE HIJACKERS, THEY WERE SEGREGATED FROM THE OTHER PASSENGERS IN THE LOUNGE BY BEING PLACED IN THE "CARPI CLUB" SECTION OF THE LOUNGE. THIS LOCATION IS ALSO NOTED ON THE DIAGRAM.

THERE WERE 12 AMERICANS SEGREGATED FROM THE OTHER PASSENGERS IN THIS AREA. [REDACTED] WERE NOT AMONG THE AMERICANS. THE [REDACTED] INITIALLY WERE IN THE GROUP OF AUSTRIAN PASSENGERS, HOWEVER, MOVED TO THE AREA WHERE THE MAJORITY OF THE CREW MEMBERS WERE STAYING.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT WHEN THE [REDACTED] WENT TO THE FRONT OF THE LOUNGE, THEY DID NOT PRESENT ANY PASSPORTS TO THE HIJACKERS.

[REDACTED] PROVIDED THE HIJACKER WITH AN "AUSTRIAN IDENTITY CARD"

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IDENTIFIED OWNERS OF THE AIRCRAFT. THIS IDENTIFICATION
APPLIED TO EVERYONE THE NIGHT BEFORE.

~ DURING THE MAJORITY OF THE TIME OF THE HOSTAGE SITUATION,
[REDACTED] AND THE OTHER PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS REMAINED IN THE
LOUNGE AREA. THEY WERE ALLOWED TO TALK AMONG THEMSELVES, HOWEVER,
ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS, THE HIJACKERS WOULD ADVISE THEM TO BE QUIET.
THE CURTAINS WERE DRAWN AT ALL TIMES IN THE LOUNGE AND DINING ROOM
AREAS. THE HIJACKERS PERMISSION HAD TO BE GAINED TO STAND UP OR
USE THE RESTROOM.

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THE NIGHT OF THE TAKEOVER, [REDACTED] REQUESTED PERMISSION FROM
INSIDE ONE TO CHANGE FROM HER BATHING SUIT INTO CLOTHING AND WAS
ALLOWED TO DO SO IN HER ROOM, BEING ACCOMPANIED BY A FEMALE CREW
MEMBER. [REDACTED] OBSERVED OTHER PASSENGERS BEING ALLOWED TO GO TO
THEIR ROOMS ONE AT A TIME TO CHANGE CLOTHES OR OBTAIN MEDICATION
WITHOUT A HIJACKER OR CREW MEMBER ACCOMPANYING THEM.

[REDACTED] OBSERVED "A CREW WATCHMAN" MAKING WHAT APPEARED TO BE
NORMAL ROUNDS TO CHECK FOR SAFETY VIOLATIONS OR HAZARDS.

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... HELD TO REMAIN IN THE ...
... BEING ACCOMPANIED BY ... HIJACKER.

AT APPROXIMATELY 11:00 A.M., ON OCTOBER 7, 1983, WHILE THE
SHIP ANCHORED OFF PART 13, UNSUB THREE TOLD ALL OF THE AMERICAN
HOSTAGES TO ACCOMPANY HIM. UNSUB THREE POINTED AT [REDACTED]
AND STATED "NO YOU, STAY HERE". UNSUB THREE ESCORTED [REDACTED] AND
THE OTHER TEN AMERICANS UP A STAIRWAY, OVER A GATE, OUT ON A ROOF
ON THE LIDO DECK, WHICH WAS LOCATED OVER THE LOUNGE AREA. THIS
WAS A METAL ROOF, WITH NO RAILING AROUND IT IN THE BOW OF THE SHIP
UNDER THE BRIDGE.

THE AMERICANS WERE FORCED TO SIT ON THE METAL DECK AND WHEN
UNSUB THREE OBSERVED [REDACTED] NOT SITTING IN A POSITION SUITABLE
TO HIM, STRUCK HER ON THE BACK OF THE HEAD WITH HIS HAND. NO
VISIBLE INJURY WAS OBSERVED AND [REDACTED] DID NOT COMPLAIN OF PAIN
AT THE TIME OF INTERVIEW.

WHILE AT THIS LOCATION, ONE OF THE HIJACKERS, BELIEVED TO BE
UNSUB THREE, CARRIED TWO PLASTIC CONTAINERS, APPROXIMATELY 25 LITERS

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THEY HAD BEEN TOLD THAT THE SHIP WOULD BE HELD FOR RANSOM. THE CAPTAIN TOLD THE HOSTAGES THAT THEY WOULD BE HELD FOR RANSOM. THE CAPTAIN TOLD THE HOSTAGES THAT THEY WOULD BE HELD FOR RANSOM. THE CAPTAIN TOLD THE HOSTAGES THAT THEY WOULD BE HELD FOR RANSOM.

[REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED THAT THESE PLASTIC JUGS HAD BEEN PLACED THROUGHOUT THE LOUNGE AREA BELOW. [REDACTED] HEARD ONE OF THE HIJACKERS ASK THE CAPTAIN FOR BENZENE WHILE THEY WERE IN THE LOUNGE AREA. THE CAPTAIN ADVISED THE HIJACKER THAT THERE WAS NO BENZENE ON BOARD THE SHIP. THESE PLASTIC CONTAINERS WERE PLACED IN MANY OF THE DOORWAYS, DANCE FLOOR AREA, AND ALONG THE SIDES OF THE SHIP IN THE LOUNGE AREA. [REDACTED] WAS OF THE OPINION THAT THESE PLASTIC CONTAINERS CONTAINED FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS.

WHILE ANCHORED OFF TARTUS, UNSUB THREE STATED "AMERICAN COUNCIL HERE, ARAFAT'S NUMBER ONE MAN HERE, AMERICAN'S NO HELP YOU, YOU DEAD".

WHILE OUT ON THE LIDO DECK AT APPROXIMATELY 2:00-2:30 P.M., [REDACTED] HEARD A LOUD NOISE AND ANOTHER AMERICAN HOSTAGE (UNKNOWN) QUESTIONED "WAS THAT A SHOT?" IMMEDIATELY AFTER THIS NOISE,

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MAIN SALON; IT-HOSTAGE TAKING; OO: WFO

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF HOSTAGES ON BOARD THE ITALIAN CRUISE
SHIP "LE ACILLE LAURO" ON OCTOBER 12, 1935.

... AT APPROXIMATELY 2:30 P.M., [REDACTED] AND THE OTHER AMERICANS
RETURNED TO THE LOUNGE AREA WHERE THEY WERE ALLOWED TO EAT.
MRS. KLINGHOFFER WAS OVERHEARD TO ASK A HIJACKER WHERE HER HUSBAND
WAS. THE HIJACKER ADVISED HER THAT A NURSE HAD TAKEN MR. KLINGHOFFER
"OUT FOR AIR ON THE DECK". MRS. KLINGHOFFER COULD NOT SEE HER
HUSBAND BECAUSE OF THE CURTAINS IN THE ROOM, HOWEVER, WAS ABLE TO
VIEW THE DECK FROM THE RESTROOM. MRS. KLINGHOFFER ADVISED AN UNKNOWN
HIJACKER THAT SHE DID NOT KNOW WHERE HER HUSBAND WAS AND THE
HIJACKER STATED THAT MR. KLINGHOFFER HAD HEART PROBLEMS AND WAS
TAKEN TO THE SHIP'S INFIRMARY. MRS. KLINGHOFFER MADE REPEATED
REQUESTS TO BE ALLOWED TO SEE HER HUSBAND WHICH MET WITH NEGATIVE
RESULTS. UNSUB ONE ADVISED MRS. KLINGHOFFER THAT HE WOULD GO TO
THE INFIRMARY AND CHECK ON MR. KLINGHOFFER'S CONDITION. UNSUB

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... ADVISED THE CAPTAIN THAT THE HIJACKERS WERE ALL NIGHT. ONE OF THE HIJACKERS VISITED MRS. KLINGHOFFER AT THIS TIME.

AT APPROXIMATELY 4:30 P.M., UNSUB THREE TOOK THE 11 AMERICAN HOSTAGES INTO THE CHILDREN'S PLAYROOM WHERE THEY REMAINED UNTIL APPROXIMATELY 6:30 P.M. THERE WERE NO HIJACKERS GUARDING THE AMERICANS AT THIS LOCATION AND THE DOOR WAS LEFT OPEN. UNSUB THREE ADVISED THE HOSTAGES "SIX O'CLOCK MUNDARI (PH)".

UPON [REDACTED] RETURN TO THE LOUNGE AREA, THE CAPTAIN INFORMED THE PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS THAT THEY WERE DESTINED FOR PORT SAID AND WOULD ARRIVE AT APPROXIMATELY 7:00 A.M. ON OCTOBER 9, 1985. [REDACTED] WAS UNDER THE OPINION THAT THE HIJACKERS DEMANDS WERE BEING MET AND THAT THE POSSIBILITY WAS THAT THEY WOULD BE RELEASED AFTER ARRIVING AT PORT SAID. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT THE HIJACKERS DID NOT SPECIFY THEIR DEMANDS TO THE PASSENGERS/CREW, HOWEVER, WHILE SHE WAS ON THE LIDO DECK, SHE OVERHEARD ONE OF THE HIJACKERS STATE TO THE HIJACKER ON THE BRIDGE, "50" AND [REDACTED] WAS OF THE OPINION THIS PERTAINED TO 50 ISRAELI PRISONERS

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AFTER ARRIVAL OF PORT SAID AT APPROXIMATELY 4:00 P.M., THE CAPTAIN ANNOUNCED OVER THE PA SYSTEM THAT THE HIJACKERS WOULD BE LEAVING THE SHIP AND GOING TO EGYPT. THE CAPTAIN ADVISED THAT THE HIJACKERS "APOLOGIZED" TO THE PASSENGERS IN THAT THE HIJACKERS HAD ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO GET OFF THE SHIP IN AUSTUD, ISRAEL, TO "CONDUCT A MISSION". JUST PRIOR TO THE HIJACKERS DEPARTING THE SHIP, THEY WAIVED GOODBY TO ALL OF THE CREW MEMBERS AND THE CREW MEMBERS ALL APPLAUDED THE HIJACKERS. [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED BY THE CAPTAIN AFTER THE HIJACKERS LEFT THE SHIP THAT HE HAD ORDERED THE CREW TO COMPLETELY COMPLY WITH THE HIJACKERS INSTRUCTIONS TO INSURE THE SAFETY OF THE PASSENGERS AND CREW.

[REDACTED] DID NOT RECALL OBSERVING THE HIJACKERS ON BOARD THE SHIP OR IN THE TERMINAL AREA PRIOR TO THE HIJACKING. [REDACTED] WAITER ON BOARD THE SHIP, [REDACTED] (LNU) ADVISED [REDACTED] THAT THE FOUR HIJACKERS HAD A TABLE IN THE DINING ROOM NEAR THE [REDACTED] TABLE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT IT WAS HER OPINION THAT THE HIJACKERS "KNEW" THAT THERE WAS NO SECURITY EXAMINATIONS AT EITHER NAPLES,

UNTIL ONE YEAR AGO, THERE HAD BEEN NO EXAMINATIONS AT THESE PORTS. SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR FOR THE SHIP SECURITY EXAMINATIONS HAD BEEN DISCONTINUED.

[REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED THAT TO HER KNOWLEDGE, [REDACTED] DID NOT RECOVER HIS U.S. DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT FROM THE SHIP.

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IT WAS [REDACTED] OPINION THAT WHILE SHE ONLY OBSERVED FOUR HIJACKERS, SIX HIJACKERS WERE INVOLVED. [REDACTED] STATED THAT IT WAS HER BELIEF THAT ADDITIONAL HIJACKERS WERE IN THE SHIP'S RADIO ROOM AND ENGINE ROOM.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT NONE OF HER PERSONAL POSSESSIONS WERE TAKEN BY THE HIJACKERS. UNSUB THREE TOOK HER HUSBAND'S WRISTWATCH AND ALSO MR. KLINGHOFFER'S WRISTWATCH. UNSUB THREE PROVIDED THESE WRISTWATCHES TO UNSUB ONE, WHO RETURNED THEM TO [REDACTED] AND KLINGHOFFER AND ADVISED THEM TO HIDE THE WATCHES. UNSUB ONE ALSO ADVISED [REDACTED] TO HIDE HER WRISTWATCH.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT WHEN SHE AND THE OTHER TEN AMERICAN HOSTAGES WERE MOVED TO THE LIDO DECK, THE HIJACKERS ALSO TOOK THE

THE FIRST ENGLISH FEMALES IN THE LOUNGE. THREE OF THESE FEMALES WERE PLACED ON AN ADJACENT BOAT EXACTLY LIKE THE POSITION THAT RELIQUA WAS IN. TWO OF THESE ENGLISH FEMALES WERE PLACED WITH THE ARMCHAIRS. AT ONE POINT, UNKID ONE TOLD ONE OF THE ENGLISH GIRLS THAT HE LOVED HER AS HE POINTED A MACHINE GUN AT HER.

[] ADVISED THAT THE HIJACKER(S) THAT WERE IN THE BRIDGE OF THE SHIP ON MANY OCCASIONS UTILIZED THE PA SYSTEM TO COMMUNICATE TO THE OTHER HIJACKERS IN THE LOUNGE AREA. [] OVERHEARD ONE OF THE HIJACKERS REQUEST PORTABLE RADIO EQUIPMENT FROM THE CAPTAIN AND THE HIJACKERS WERE SUBSEQUENTLY OBSERVED WITH HAND HELD WALKIE-TALKIE RADIOS. [] ADVISED THAT IT APPEARED THAT THIS RADIO EQUIPMENT WAS NOT FUNCTIONING TO THE HIJACKERS SATISFACTION WHICH IS THE REASON THAT THE PA SYSTEM WAS UTILIZED.

THE HIJACKERS CONVERSED IN ARABIC BETWEEN THEMSELVES AND ONLY APPEARED TO KNOW AN EXTREMELY LIMITED NUMBER OF ENGLISH WORDS.

[] DID NOT OBSERVE THE HIJACKERS SLEEP, HOWEVER, THE MAJORITY OF THE TIME, ONLY TWO HIJACKERS WOULD CONTROL THE PASSENGERS AND CREW. THE HIJACKERS WERE NOT OBSERVED TO EAT ANY

[REDACTED] OBSERVED THAT THE MANS AND WOMEN APPEARED CHANGED
DRASTICALLY DURING VERY SHORT PERIODS OF TIME. AT LEAST ONE
HIJACKER WAS OBSERVED TO GET DRUNK, [REDACTED] AND WOULD WITHOUT
APPARENT REASON, JUMP UP AND MOVE QUICKLY ABOUT THE LOUNGE AREA.
CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN THE HIJACKERS WOULD GO FROM NORMAL CONVERSATION
TO HEATED EXCHANGES.

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AFTER [REDACTED] HEARD THE SPLASHING SOUND FROM THE LIDO DECK,
SHE DID NOT OBSERVE ANY OF THE HIJACKERS WITH ANY BLOOD ON THEIR
CLOTHING. THE HIJACKERS CHANGED THEIR CLOTHES PRIOR TO LEAVING
THE SHIP.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS, EACH OF THE
HIJACKERS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF UNSUB ONE WOULD STATE "YOU'RE
DEAD, AMERICANS NO HELP, NO GOOD".

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MAIN SALON; IT-HOSTAGE TAKING; OO: WFO

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF HOSTAGES ON BOARD THE ITALIAN CRUISE
SHIP "LE ACHILLE LAURO" ON OCTOBER 12, 1985

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TO INVESTIGATE:

RE: MEMORANDUM TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DATED OCTOBER 12, 1945.

MEMORANDUM WILL FOLLOW WITH ORIGINAL FD-302S AND NOTES TO WFO
AND COPIES OF FD-302S TO INTERESTED OFFICES.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH ABOVE INFORMATION TO
LEGAT, ROME AND LEGAT, BONN.

DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION HEREIN TO U.S. INTELLIGENCE
COMMUNITY BEING LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF BUREAU AND WFO.

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TAGS: [] ON ISRAELI YACHT ATTACK

1. (C - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. A PALESTINIAN JOURNALIST WITH EXCELLENT CONTACTS
AMONG PLO OFFICIALS TOLD POLCONS SEPTEMBER 29
THAT [] WHO HAD BEEN OUT OF JORDAN FOR
SEVERAL WEEKS RETURNED TO AMMAN OVER THE
WEEKEND, PROBABLY ON FRIDAY. IN THE COURSE OF
A MEETING AT [] RESIDENCE, THE JOURNALIST
ASKED ABOUT THE TERRORIST ATTACK ON THE ISRAELI

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YACHT IN CYPRUS. ACCORDING TO THE JOURNALIST,

[] REPLIED THAT THE ATTACK HAD BEEN A
FATAH OPERATION. THE JOURNALIST, WHO WAS SURPRISED
BY THE ADMISSION, ASKED IF [] COMMENTS
WERE OFF THE RECORD. [] REPLIED THAT THE
JOURNALIST COULD QUOTE HIM.

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3. ACCORDING TO THE JOURNALIST, [] SAID
THAT THE FATAH LEADERSHIP HAD SANCTIONED THE
CONCEPT OF THE LARNACA ATTACK. THAT IS, AFTER
THE ISRAELIS HAD INTERCEPTED THE TWO PLO YACHTS
WHICH HAD STARTED FROM CYPRUS THE PLO DECIDED
TO GO AFTER THE ISRAELI AGENTS WHO WERE MONITORING
THE PORT. ONCE THE LOCAL PLO OFFICE IN CYPRUS
HAD IDENTIFIED THE YACHT IT THOUGHT WAS MONITORING
THE PORT FOR THE ISRAELIS, ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE
TO ATTACK THE YACHT. THE JOURNALIST DID NOT GO
INTO THE DETAILS OF THESE ARRANGEMENTS (AND PROBABLY
DID NOT KNOW THEM), BUT SAID THAT [] HAD
INDICATED THAT ONCE THE LEADERSHIP HAD SANCTIONED
THE CONCEPT, DETAILS WERE LEFT UP TO THE PEOPLE
WHO CARRIED OUT THE ATTACK.

OUR CONTACT WAS NOT CLEAR ON WHERE THE DECISION
ABOUT THE CYPRUS OPERATION HAD BEEN MADE. WE
NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT ARAFAT, [REDACTED] AND OTHER
SENIOR PLO OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN OUT OF JORDAN
FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.

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THE JOURNALIST SAID THAT [REDACTED] NOTED
THAT FATAH WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR A NUMBER OF RECENT
WEST BANK ATTACKS. HE ADDED THAT EVEN WHEN FATAH
HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ATTACKS, IT CLAIMED
RESPONSIBILITY. WHILE HE DID NOT ELABORATE ON

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THIS, OUR CONTACT SUGGESTED FATAH CONTINUED TO FIND THE CONCEPT OF ARMED STRUGGLE TO BE POLITICALLY USEFUL, PARTICULARLY WITHIN PALESTINIAN CIRCLES. IN THIS REGARD, THE JOURNALIST NOTED THAT THE DFLP WAS NOW BEGINNING TO CLAIM RESPONSIBILITY FOR WEST BANK ATTACKS, WHICH IT PROBABLY WAS NOT IN A POSITION TO CARRY OUT.

5. COMMENT: OUR SOURCE, WHO HAS A RELATIVELY SOPHISTICATED UNDERSTANDING OF THE POLITICS OF THE PLO'S RELATIONSHIP WITH JORDAN AND THE PEACE PROCESS, WAS VERY SURPRISED BY [REDACTED] WILLINGNESS TO OPENLY CLAIM CREDIT FOR FATAH FOR THE CYPRUS OPERATION AND ACTS OF VIOLENCE ON THE WEST BANK. [REDACTED] CLAIMS WILL FEED SPECULATION THAT WE HAVE BEGUN TO HEAR HERE THAT ARAFAT HAS DECIDED THAT SINCE THE PEACE PROCESS IS NOT GOING ANYWHERE THE PLO SHOULD USE VIOLENCE TO UNDERMINE [REDACTED] DIPLOMACY BEFORE THE JORDANIANS OR WEST BANKERS BEGIN TO THINK ABOUT CUTTING A DEAL AT THE PLO'S EXPENSE. OUR SOURCE, WHO IS AWARE OF SUCH SPECULATION BUT WHO HAS NOT SEEN ARAFAT RECENTLY, WAS UNABLE TO JUDGE WHETHER [REDACTED]

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WAS SPEAKING AS A MILITARY LEADER WHO NEEDS TO
SHOW THE PLO STILL HAS TEETH, OR WHETHER HIS
COMMENTS SERVED A MORE SUBTLE POLITICAL PURPOSE.
WHATEVER THE REASON FOR ABU JIHAD'S COMMENTS, THEY
ARE DEEPLY DISTURBING; WE BELIEVE [REDACTED] AND
[REDACTED] WILL BE AS SURPRISED BY THEM AS OUR CONTACT
AND AS TROUBLED BY THEM AS WE ARE.

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USE AND PREPARATION OF FORM 0-73

Restrictions on Use

1. Only incoming teletype messages within the categories listed in MIOG Section 16-1.7 pages 1251 & 1252 may be prepared using form 0-73.
2. Use of Form 0-73 is restricted to incoming teletype messages received at FBIHQ Communications Center within the last 72 hours.
3. Addressees must be Bureau Offices (LEGAT/Field) or other Government Agencies. **Geographical location must be indicated if other Government Agency is located outside the Washington, D.C. area.**
4. Editing of message text is restricted to typed or printed changes of a word or two. Changes to the existing text involving more than a word or two will require the originator to initiate a new message using Form 0-93. Administrative data may be added immediately following the text and must be identical for all addressees.
5. Teletype messages received by the Communications Center that do not meet the above criteria shall be returned to the originator for preparation using Form 0-93.

Preparation of 0-73 Form (Yellow)

1. **Date & Precedence** - Type or print date and indicate precedence by checking the appropriate box.
2. **Addressee(s)** - Type or print addressee(s) immediately following the "TO:" or place a check mark in the appropriate box. Note: When using block "Other," indicate geographical location if addressee(s) is located outside Washington, D.C. If addressee(s) is a military installation, the name of the base, fort, or station must be listed to ensure delivery.
3. **Classification** - Type or print the classification and if appropriate the caveat and warning notices.
4. **Addressee Internal Distribution** - Complete when the originator wishes the message to be distributed to a known entity within a Headquarters Agency (i.e. Division, Section, Unit, etc.). List the addressee(s) abbreviation and the internal distribution, i.e. a message to Dept. of State, Dept. of Justice, and Defense Intelligence Agency; list on the "For" line(s) as follows:
Example: For: DQS For SY/TAG; DOJ for Asst. AG Criminal Div.; DIA For DSOP.
Messages which do not list internal distribution shall be delivered to the agency headquarters where their analyst will effect in-house distribution.
5. **Subject** - Type or print the subject in the space provided or check "see attached" if subject is identical to attached message.
6. **Originator's Boxes** - Type or print the originator's name, telephone extension, room number, and division.
7. **Approved By Box** - Indicate approval for transmission by initialing the approved by box. Note: The person approving the message is solely responsible for assuring all necessary editing changes are accurate and are legible.

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2. **Editing of Duplicate Copy (Heading)** - Using a lead pencil ONLY draw single lines through the first and last lines of the message heading; connect these lines from top right to bottom left forming a "Z" figure. **(Do Not Obliterate the Heading)**
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OO HQ NY

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FM: WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (256-2) (P) (C-1)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (IMMEDIATE)

ADIC NEW YORK (IMMEDIATE)

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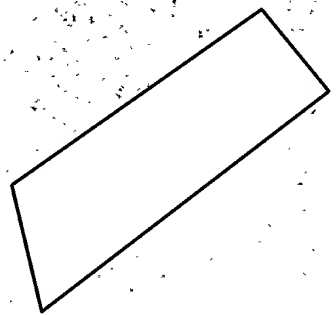
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MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING-TERRORISM; (OO:WFO)

ALL MARKINGS, NOTATIONS, AND ITEMS OF INFORMATION
CONTAINED IN THIS COMMUNICATION ARE CLASSIFIED "~~SECRET~~"
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FOR INFORMATION RECEIVING OFFICES, ON 10/18/85, WFO
RECEIVED INFORMATION THROUGH THE U.S. DEPT. OF STATE (USDS)
AND U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC), THAT AN
INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED] WHO WAS VISTING
WDC FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION CONFERENCE AT THE HYATT
REGENCY HOTEL, 400 NEW JERSEY AVENUE, N.W., COULD POSSIBLY
PROVIDE INFORMATION REGARDING THE WHEREABOUTS OF MOHAMMAD ABBAS.

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ON 10/18/85, AGENTS OF WFO MET WITH [] AT THE HYATT REGENCY. [] DESCRIBED AS A WHITE MALE, BORN [] [] ADVISED THAT HE DOES NOT CURRENTLY KNOW ABBAS WHEREABOUTS, HOWEVER, STATED THAT HE COULD POSSIBLY DETERMINE THIS WITHIN THREE WEEKS TIME. HE STATED THAT HIS "CHANNEL" OF INFORMATION IS A SWISS CITIZEN IDENTIFIED AS [] [] FURTHER DESCRIBED [] AS PRO-PLO AND THE FOCAL POINT FOR PERSONS IN TRANSIT AND IN NEED OF FALSE IDENTIFICATION AND/OR TRAVELING THROUGH EUROPE UNDER FALSE PASSPORTS AND/OR NAMES. [] ADVISED THAT HE HAS KNOWN [] FOR MANY YEARS AND FIRST MET HIM WHEN BOTH RESIDED IN CLOSE PROXIMITY. [] ADVISED THAT [] SHOULD KNOW THE WHEREABOUTS OF ABBAS AND STATED THAT HE [] WILL PROBABLY ATTEMPT TO CONCEAL ABBAS IN THE NEAR FUTURE IN VIEW OF ABBAS FUGITIVE STATUS. [] FURTHER STATED THAT HE HAS NOT BEEN IN CONTACT WITH [] FOR APPROXIMATELY 18 MONTHS, HOWEVER, HE FEELS THAT HE CAN RECONTACT [] AND DETERMINE THROUGH CASUAL CONVERSATION OVER A PERIOD OF THREE WEEKS THE WHEREABOUTS OF ABBAS. HE FEELS THAT [] TRUSTS HIM [] ENOUGH TO REVEAL THIS INFORMATION.

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[] ADVISED THAT GENOUD ONCE ASKED HIM TO CARRY "WINE" INTO ISRAEL SOME TIME DURING 1971 OR 1972. [] ADVISED THAT HE WAS OF THE OPINION THAT THIS "WINE" WAS IN REALITY A BOMB DESTINED FOR AN UNKNOWN LOCATION IN ISRAEL. [] DECLINED TO DO THIS FOR [].

[] ADVISED THAT HIS ONLY MOTIVE FOR THIS TASK IS TO AIDE THE UNITED STATES IN LOCATING ABBAS WHOM HE DESCRIBED AS UPSETTING THE PALESTINIAN CAUSE BY COMMITTING SUCH A TERRIBLE TERRORIST ACT AS THAT WHICH RESULTED IN THE HIJACKING OF THE ACHILLE LAURO CRUISE LINER AND MURDER OF LEON KLINGHOFFER. [] DESCRIBED HIMSELF AS PRO-PALESTINIAN AND STATED THAT THE UNITED STATES IS UNFAIR TOWARDS ARAFAT WHOM HE DESCRIBED AS A "GOOD MAN".

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[] DESCRIBED HIMSELF AS A RIGHT WING INDIVIDUAL WHO FULLY SUPPORTS THE PALESTINIAN ISSUE SOUGHT BY ARAFAT.

[] ADVISED THAT HE HAS TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY THROUGHOUT BULGARIA, POLAND, SYRIA, RHODESIA, AND PAKISTAN. HE STATED THAT DURING 1979 THROUGH 1980, HE WAS THE [] TO THE U.N. MISSION IN SYRIA FOR THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION. HE FURTHER ADVISED THAT IN SOME OF THESE COUNTRIES HE WAS INVOLVED IN TOURISM. HE IS CURRENTLY THE LEGAL COUNSEL TO

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THE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE ALLIANCE, 15, ROUTE DES MORILLONS,

CH-1218 GRAND-SACONNEX, GENEVA, SWITZERLAND, TELEPHONE (022)

98-4121. [] MAINTAINS TWO RESIDENCES OF []

AND [] TELEPHONES RESPECTIVELY [] AND

[] ADVISED THAT HE IS MARRIED AND HAS TWO

CHILDREN. HE STATED THAT HIS WIFE CURRENTLY IS IN []

[] IN SWITZERLAND. HE FURTHER STATED THAT HE WAS

THE [] OF LAUS ANNA UNIVERSITY, NEAR GENEVA,

SWITZERLAND.

[] ADVISED THAT HE [] A FIRM CALLED []

INCORPORATED, WHICH HE DESCRIBES AS A MODEST BUSINESS, AND IS

A MANAGEMENT TRAINING FIRM LOCATED IN WASHINGTON, D.C., AND

SWITZERLAND, AT THE ST SULPICE ADDRESS.

[] STATED THAT HE INTENDS TO FLY TO NEW YORK FOR

APPROXIMATELY FOUR DAYS FOLLOWING HIS CONFERENCE IN WDC ON

10/19/85, AND FROM NEW YORK HE WILL TRAVEL TO HIS HOME IN

SWITZERLAND. HE ADVISED THAT HIS TRIP TO NEW YORK IS STRICTLY

PERSONAL.

ON THE LATE EVENING OF 10/18/85, [] WAS RECONTACTED

AT HIS REQUEST BY AGENTS OF WFO. UPON CONTACTING [] HE

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STATED THAT CONTACT WITH HIS WIFE IN SWITZERLAND IN THE PAST TWO HOURS DETERMINED THAT [] HAD ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT HIM [] AFTER 18 MONTHS TIME. [] ADVISED THAT HE WAS CONCERNED AS TO WHY [] WOULD RECONTACT HIM AT THIS TIME AND WAS UNSURE IF IT WAS A COINCIDENCE IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT HE [] HAD CONTACTED THE FBI EARLIER THIS SAME DATE.

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[] ADVISED THAT HE WOULD WELCOME A DISCREET CONTACT BY U.S. INTELLIGENCE, HOWEVER, HE WOULD PREFER A DISCREET FBI CONTACT AT HIS RESIDENCE IN SWITZERLAND. [] STATED THAT HE DOES NOT WANT TO BE CONTACTED AT HIS PLACE OF BUSINESS IN SWITZERLAND AND PREFERS THE CONTACT TO USE AN ASSUMED NAME AND/OR BUSINESS. [] OFFERED TO INTRODUCE UNDERCOVER AGENT TO [] IF DESIRABLE.

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[] ADVISED THAT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT [] HAD CONTACTED HIM FIRST, HE FEELS THAT THIS MAY BE THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO PURSUE THE MATTER OF DETERMINING THE WHEREABOUTS OF MOHAMMAD ABBAS. HE FURTHER STATED THAT SHOULD HE LEARN ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION HE WILL IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THIS OFFICE TO ADVISE AND TO FURTHER FACILITATE A RECONTACT IN SWITZERLAND TO DETERMINE THE EXTENT OF INFORMATION THAT HE MAY HAVE.

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WFO INDICES ARE NEGATIVE CONCERNING [] AND

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IN 1960'S SUBJECT WAS JAILED IN ALGERIA FOR REPORTEDLY HAVING AIDED MUHAMMAD KHIDIR, ALGERIAN POLITICAN WHO FLED ALGERIA WITH LARGE SUMS OF MONEY. HE WAS RELEASED AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS AND DEPORTED.

[REDACTED] IS ACTIVE IN PRO-ARAB CIRCLES IN SWITZERLAND. HE WAS REPORTEDLY IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] GENERAL OF PFLP, BEIRUT, LEBANON.

[REDACTED] ALLEGEDLY MAINTAINED CONTACT WITH LIBYAN REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL MEMBER, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], VIA A SPECIAL CONTACT IN PARIS, FRANCE.

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OO HQ NY

DE WF051 2960302

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI IMMEDIATE

ADIC NEW YORK IMMEDIATE

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MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING-TERRORISM; (OO:WFO)

IN FEBRUARY, 1975, SUBJECT PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED HIS HOLDING
COMPANY, VALCOMAR, S.A., IN SWITZERLAND. THIS COMPANY WAS
(S) CAPITALIZED BY LIBYAN GOVERNMENT

[REDACTED]

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ADDITIONALLY, [REDACTED] ONCE CONTRIBUTED PROPOSALS AND SERVED
AS A SUPPORT ASSET FOR ARAB TERRORIST OPERATIONS.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, WFO UNABLE TO ASSESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GIVEN THE SHORT TIME SPENT DURING INTERVIEWS.

THIS INFORMATION IS BEING PRESENTED TO FBIHQ FOR ACTION
DEEMED APPROPRIATE AND ADDITIONALLY THE FOLLOWING LEADS ARE
BEING SET FORTH.

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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH INFORMATION TO CIA

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[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

SWISS CITIZEN, DOB [REDACTED]

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BUREAU IS ALSO REQUESTED TO CONDUCT INDICES FOR [REDACTED]

THE BUREAU IS ADDITIONALLY REQUESTED TO FURNISH CONTENTS
OF THIS COMMUNICATION TO LEGATS, BERN, AND ROME.
NEW YORK DIVISION WILL CONDUCT INDICES CHECKS CONCERNING

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12	MAIN SALON - HOSTAGE TAKING		
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8	THE FOLLOWING SUMMARY REFLECTS INFORMATION RECEIVED BY FBIHQ CONCERNING THE INVOLVEMENT OF ABU EL ABBAS, AKA, IN THE HIJACKING OF THE ITALIAN CRUISE SHIP "ACHILLE LAURO."		
6	ACCORDING TO A SENSITIVE AND RELIABLE SOURCE OF THE		
4	FBI, ABU EL ABBAS, ALSO KNOWN AS MUHAMMAD ZAYDAN, ABU KHALED, ABU HALEL, ABU AL ABBAS, MAHMOUD ZEIDAN, ABU ABBAS, MUHAMMAD ABBAS, MUHAMMAD ABBASI, MOHAMED ABBAS, MAHAMUD ABBAS ZAYDAN, MOHAMUD ZAYDAN, AND SHAHIN ZAIDAN, IS THE SELF ACKNOWLEDGED HEAD OF A PALESTINE LIBERATION FRONT FACTION. 20 1985		
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(U) ~~WHICH BELONGS TO THE ARAFAT CAMP. UNTIL THE SPLIT IN THE~~
20 ~~PLO IN 1977, HE SERVED AS ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL~~
18 ~~OF THE PLO AND AS THE HEAD OF THE MILITARY ARM. BUT~~

(U) IN A RADIO INTERVIEW IN SEPTEMBER OF 1985, HE STATED
16 THAT THE PLF CONGRESS HAS FORMED A SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO
DISCUSS CARRYING OUT SPECIAL OPERATIONS INSIDE "OCCUPIED"
14 TERRITORIES. THE COMMITTEE, HEADED BY A SPECIALIST IN THESE
TYPES OF OPERATIONS WAS ASKED AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER, 1985,
12 TO ESCALATE THE ARMED STRUGGLE. BUT

(U) HE STATED ALSO THAT THE PALESTINE LIBERATION FRONT IS
10 DEVELOPING RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION TO PRESERVE THE
PALESTINIAN STRUGGLE. EL ABBAS HAS RECENTLY VISITED MOSCOW.
8 SOVIET UNION AND PLO RELATIONS WERE COOL BECAUSE OF THE
ARAFAT-HUSSEIN ALLIANCE BUT HAVE IMPROVED OVER THE PAST FOUR
6 MONTHS. THE SOVIETS ARE EAGER TO MAINTAIN POSITIVE CONTACT.
EL ABBAS' PROOF OF THIS IS THAT THE SOVIETS REFUSED TO
4 RECEIVE A DELEGATION FROM THE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT
{WHICH IS AN ALLIANCE OF THE PFLP AND THE ABU MUSA REBEL
2 FACTION.} BUT

~~HE WAS BORN IN THE SAFAJ AREA IN 1941. HIS FAMILY FLED~~

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10 SYRIA IN 1948. UNTIL LATE 1976, HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE
LEADERSHIP OF THE PFLP-GC. ON THE EVE OF HIS RESIGNATION,
HE SERVED AS THE ORGANIZATION'S SPOKESMAN. HE BROKE AWAY
FROM THIS ORGANIZATION DUE TO SUPPORT OF SYRIA'S
INVASION OF LEBANON. ~~(U)~~

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ABU EL ABBAS PLANS HIS ORGANIZATION'S ATTACKS AND IS
PERSONALLY INVOLVED IN ALL STAGES OF THE OPERATIONS CARRIED
OUT BY IT. ~~(S)~~

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IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS OF OCTOBER 8, 1985, THE DAY
OF THE HIJACKING, MEMBERS OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION FRONT
{PLF}/ABU EL ABBAS FACTION CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE
HIJACKING. THE SHIP WAS NOT THE ORIGINAL TARGET, BUT WHEN A
CREW MEMBER DISCOVERED THEM AND THEIR WEAPONS, THEY
COMMANDEERED THE SHIP. ~~(U)~~

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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS GLEANED FROM THE
TRANSCRIPTS OF SHIP TO SHORE CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN EL ABBAS
AND THE HIJACKERS. THESE TRANSCRIPTS WERE MADE PUBLIC BY
THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT ON OCTOBER 16, 1985. ~~(U)~~

ABU EL ABBAS MAINTAINED CONTACT WITH THE HIJACKERS WHEN
THE SHIP WAS NEAR TARTUS, SYRIA. ABU EL ABBAS ORDERED THE

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(U) HIJACKERS TO CANCEL THE OPERATION, GO IMMEDIATELY TO PORT
20 SAID, EGYPT, AND END THE WHOLE AFFAIR. SHORTLY THEREAFTER,
18 THE SHIP CHANGED COURSE AND HEADED FOR PORT SAID. ~~END~~

(U) UPON THEIR ARRIVAL IN PORT SAID ON OCTOBER 9, THE
16 HIJACKERS REPEATEDLY ASKED FOR EL ABBAS. WHEN HE ARRIVED,
HE ADDRESSED THEM BY THEIR FIRST NAMES, AN INDICATION THAT
14 HE KNEW THEM PERSONALLY. HE ALSO USED A PREDETERMINED CODE
WORD FOR IDENTIFICATION AND TO ASSERT CONTROL OVER THE
12 ENTIRE SITUATION. HE ORDERED THE FOUR HIJACKERS TO TREAT
THE HOSTAGES WELL AND TO MAINTAIN CONTINUOUS RADIO CONTACT
10 WITH PORT AUTHORITIES IN PORT SAID. ~~END~~

ON OCTOBER 9, WHEN NEGOTIATIONS ENDED AND THE HIJACKERS
8 WENT ASHORE, EL ABBAS ACCOMPANIED HIS MEN ABOARD THE
EGYPTIAN PLANE, WHICH WAS GOING TO TRANSPORT THEM TO TUNIS.
6 THE PLANE WAS FORCED TO LAND AT A MILITARY INSTALLATION IN
SICILY. EL ABBAS WAS FLOWN TO ROME, ITALY, WHERE HE
4 REPORTEDLY STAYED AT AN EGYPTIAN ART CENTER. ON THE
AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 12, 1985, EL ABBAS DEPARTED ROME FOR
2 YUGOSLAVIA.

~~BASED ON EL ABBAS' POSSIBLE INVOLVEMENT IN THE~~

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HIJACKING, THE UNITED STATES HAD REQUESTED THE PROVISIONAL
ARREST OF EL ABBAS BY ITALIAN AUTHORITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF
HIS EXTRADITION TO THE UNITED STATES. (U)

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(U) NOTE: THIS PROVIDES BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE
ACTIVITIES OF ABU EL ABBAS, AKA, TO LEGAT ROME. ~~(U)~~

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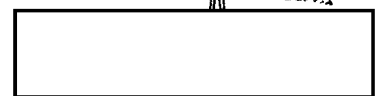
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REROMTELS DATED OCTOBER 12, 1985.

WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM WITH LEGAT ROME ASSISTANCE WAS IN
CONTACT WITH DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION'S OFFICE, U.S. EMBASSY IN
CAIRO. THROUGH THIS CONTACT IT WAS LEARNED THAT THE SHIP
"ACHILLE LAURO", AS OF THIS MORNING, REMAINED AT PORT SAID,
EGYPT. THE EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING A CRIME
SCENE INVESTIGATION ON THE SHIP FOR THE PAST THREE DAYS AND
HAVE TAKEN STATEMENTS FROM THE CREW AND PASSENGERS. IT IS
UNCERTAIN AS TO WHEN THE "ACHILLE LAURO" WILL DEPART FROM
PORT SAID. UNCONFIRMED REPORTS INDICATED IT COULD LEAVE TODAY
OR TOMORROW. THE CREW REPORTEDLY WISHES TO RETURN THE SHIP TO
GENOA, ITALY, AND THE SHIP OWNERS WOULD LIKE THE SHIP TO PRO-

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CEED TO ASHOD, ISRAEL, AND RESUME THE CRUISE. CURRENTLY, PASSENGERS WHO WISHED TO REMAIN ONBOARD OR RETURN TO THE VESSEL HAVE BEEN ALLOWED TO DO SO. IT IS BELIEVED THAT OTHER PASSENGERS ARE LODGED ON LAND.

INFORMATION DEVELOPED IN ROME INDICATES THAT ABU EL-ABBAS, REPORTED LEADER OF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION FRONT FACTION WHICH WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HIJACKING, HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE EGYPTIAN EMBASSY IN ROME FROM WHERE HE HAD BEEN TAKEN AND HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO GO TO YUGOSLAVIA. ITALIAN TELEVISION SHOWED ABU EL-ABBAS GIVING A PRESS CONFERENCE IN YUGOSLAVIA AND HE REPORT-
EDLY HAS BEEN GIVEN DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY BY YUGOSLAVIA. LEGAT

ROME LEARNED THAT WHEN THE EGYPTIAN AIRCRAFT WAS FLOWN FROM SIGONELLA TO ROME, CARRYING ABU EL-ABBAS AND OTHERS, THAT A U.S. NAVY AIRCRAFT WAS INSTRUCTED TO TAIL THIS AIRCRAFT TO ROME. AFTER THE EGYPTIAN AIRCRAFT TOOK OFF, THE ITALIAN BASE COMMANDER ✓ BLOCKED THE RUNWAY TO PREVENT THE U.S. NAVY AIRCRAFT FROM TAKING OFF. THE U.S. NAVY PILOT WAS ABLE TO TAKE HIS AIRCRAFT OFF FROM THE TAXI STRIP THEREBY EVADING ITALIAN BLOCKING EFFORTS. THIS INCIDENT ANGERED THE ITALIAN BASE COMMANDER WHO IMMEDIATELY CLOSED THE BASE. THIS INFORMATION IS PROVIDED TO DISPLAY THAT.

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U.S./ ITALIAN RELATIONS MAY BE BECOMING STRAINED OVER THIS ENTIRE INCIDENT AND THAT FBI INVESTIGATIVE NEEDS MAY HAVE TO PROCEED FORWARD IN A DELICATE MANNER.

ITALIAN NEWS REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE FOUR TERRORISTS MAY BE MOVED TO A MORE SECURE AREA IN NORTHERN ITALY, POSSIBLY GENOA. ONE OF THE SEVERAL MAGISTRATES HANDLING THIS CASE IS FROM GENOA AND ITALIAN TRIAL WILL BE IN GENOA.

WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM IS ENGAGING IN ACTIVITIES DIRECTED TOWARD GAINING INTERVIEW/ INVESTIGATIVE ACCESS TO THE TERRORIST HIJACKERS, BELIEVED TO STILL BE INCARCERATED AT SIGONELLA. LFGAT ROME BELIEVES THAT THE HANDLING ITALIAN MAGISTRATE MAY BE AMENABLE TO OFFERING AT LEAST LIMITED ASSISTANCE TO THE WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM TO SECURE FBI NEEDS IN THIS MATTER.

~~FBIHQ WILL BE KEPT ADVISED AS TO DEVELOPMENTS AND THE INITIATIVES OF WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM.~~

~~REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:~~

~~THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO RETRANSMIT THIS COMMUNICATION TO NEWARK, NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE.~~

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0* 161345Z OCT 85 FM DIRECTOR FBI TO LEGAL ATTACHE, ROME IMMEDIATE {NIACT} BT SECRET MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING; 00: WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE THIS COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED " SECRET " IN ITS ENTIRETY. FBI HEADQUARTERS AUTHORITY IS GRANTED FOR WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE INVESTIGATIVE TEAM TO BOARD LE ACHILLE LAURO TO INTERVIEW THE ITALIAN CREW WHEN PERMISSION OBTAINED FROM ITALIAN AUTHORITIES. ALL EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO ACCESS THE SHIP AND TO COMPLETE INTERVIEWS BEFORE SHIP DEPARTS PORT OF GENOA. FBI HEADQUARTERS APPROVES SPECIAL AGENTS CONTINUING ON BOARD SHIP IF ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, IN ORDER TO COMPLETE INTERVIEWS BASED ON CURRENTLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION THAT LE ACHILLE LAURO WILL BE IN GENOA FOR LESS THAN 16 HOURS. REMAINING ON ABOARD IS CONSIDERED A LAST RESORT, AND IF IT BECOMES NECESSARY, SPECIAL AGENT TEAM SHOULD DISEMBARK AT DO NOT TYPE MESSAGE BELOW THIS LINE				
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Secretary of State

*Subject: Interagency Debriefing of
Hostage on Board the Italian
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on October 12, 1985*

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INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF HOSTAGES ON BOARD THE ITALIAN CRUISE

SHIP "LE ACHILLE LAURO" ON OCTOBER 12, 1985

THIS COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED "~~SECRET~~" IN ITS ENTIRETY.

FBI, NEWARK, BY TELETYPE DATED 10/15/85 ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:
ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERAGENCY HOSTAGE

DEBRIEFING GROUP INTERVIEWED THE FOLLOWING HOSTAGES WHO HAVE BEEN

RELEASED FROM CAPTIVITY FROM THE LE ACHILLE LAURO:

SUMMARY OF THE INTERVIEW FOLLOWS:

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1. MARILYN KLINGHOFFER, 70 EAST 10TH STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, 10003, APARTMENT 10J/K. TELEPHONE NUMBERS (212) 673-0264 AND (212) 473-5109. *Secretary of State*

ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, MARILYN KLINGHOFFER, 70 EAST 10TH STREET, NEW YORK, NEW YORK, 10003, APARTMENT 10J/K, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

SHE AND HER HUSBAND, LEON KLINGHOFFER, DOB SEPTEMBER 24, 1916, UNITED STATES CITIZEN BY BIRTH, WHO WAS CONFINED TO A WHEELCHAIR, WERE PASSENGERS ON THE ACHILLE LAURO WHEN, DURING LUNCH IN THE MAIN DINING ROOM ON A DAY EARLY IN THE WEEK, SHE WAS NOT SURE WHICH, SHE HEARD SHOTS FIRED IN THE KITCHEN AND THE KITCHEN STAFF BEGAN FILING OUT WITH THEIR HANDS OVER THEIR HEADS. SHE HEARD A MAN MOANING IN THE KITCHEN FOR ABOUT AN HOUR AFTER THE SHOTS WERE FIRED AND ASSUMED THAT HE HAD BEEN WOUNDED. THREE MEN WERE WITH THE STAFF AS THEY CAME OUT OF THE KITCHEN AND THEY HAD MACHINE GUNS WITH SHOULDER STRAPS. THEY ALSO HAD GRENADES. THEY ORDERED AN AREA CLEARED IN THE CENTER OF THE DINING ROOM AND EVERYONE WAS KEPT THERE FOR TWO TO THREE HOURS. THE THREE MEN WITH GUNS WERE SHOUTING AT THEM IN WHAT WAS BELIEVED TO BE ARABIC AND GIVING ORDERS IN POOR

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ENGLISH. DURING THIS TIME, ONE AUSTRIAN MAN WAS HIT ACROSS THE CHEST. ALTOGETHER ABOUT FOUR HUNDRED PEOPLE WERE GATHERED IN THE DINING ROOM.

AFTER TWO TO THREE HOURS IN THE DINING ROOM, THEY WERE ORDERED TO THE ARETZI (PHONETIC) (PH) LOUNGE WHERE THEY WERE AGAIN KEPT IN A TIGHT GROUP IN ONE PART OF THE LOUNGE. THE VERBAL ABUSE IN ARABIC CONTINUED AND THE HIJACKERS PUT CANS OF BENZINE, EACH ABOUT

TWO AND HALF TO THREE FEET HIGH, AROUND THEM IN A CIRCLE. SOMETIME

DURING ALL OF THIS, THE THREE WERE JOINED BY A FOURTH ~~HIJACKER~~. *Secretary of State*
Emergency Department of Italian
WAS HERE, WITH ONE EXCEPTION WHEN THEY WERE BROUGHT UP ON DECK, THAT

THEY STAYED DURING THE REMAINDER OF THE HIJACKING. THEY SLEPT ON THE FLOOR AND THE CREW WAS ALLOWED TO BRING FOOD AND BLANKETS TO THEM. THE HIJACKERS TAUNTED THE PASSENGERS BY PULLING THE PINS ON THEIR GRENADES AND WAVING THEM.

IN THE BEGINNING, THE HIJACKERS ASKED IF ANYONE WAS JEWISH AND ONE AUSTRIAN COUPLE SAID YES. THEY RECEIVED A LOT OF VERBAL ABUSE BECAUSE OF THIS FROM THE HIJACKERS. THE KLINGHOFFER'S DID NOT SAY THEY WERE JEWISH AND BELIEVED THE HIJACKERS HAD NO WAY OF KNOWING

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WHO WAS. LATER THEY ASKED WHO THE AMERICANS WERE AND THE AMERICANS IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES. THEY WERE THEN SEGREGATED. THE REST OF THE PASSENGERS SEEMED TO GROUP UP BY NATIONALITY, THE ITALIANS, THE GERMANS, ETC., WITHIN THE SMALL AREA THEY WERE ALL CONFINED TO. THERE WERE TEN TO TWELVE AMERICANS, AND KEPT NEARBY WERE SIX BRITISH DANCING GIRLS WHO PERFORMED ON THE SHIP. AT TIMES, THEY WERE ALL MADE TO CHANT TOGETHER "ARAFAT YES, AMERICA NO, REAGAN TERRIBLE."

THE CAPTAIN CAME DOWN TO THE LOUNGE A FEW TIMES TO TALK TO THE PASSENGERS BUT NEVER CAME OVER TO THE AMERICAN GROUP. HE MADE SEVERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AT TIMES OVER THE PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM ALSO TO TRY AND CALM THE PASSENGERS.

THE HIJACKERS NEVER SAID WHAT ORGANIZATION THEY BELONG TO OR WHAT THEY WANTED. AT ONE POINT ONE SAID "ME PALESTINIAN, ME GOOD. YOU AMERICAN, NO GOOD. YOU BRITISH, NO GOOD." SHE DID NOT KNOW WHICH OF THEM WAS IN CHARGE. AT ONE POINT, THEY TOOK THE JEWELRY FROM SEVERAL PASSENGERS, INCLUDING HER HUSBAND'S WATCH AND GAVE IT TO ONE OF THE HIJACKERS WITH THE BEARD. THE REST WERE CLEAN-SHAVEN. THE BEARDED HIJACKER LATER GAVE HER HUSBAND'S WATCH BACK TO HIM.

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WHEN THEY WERE 15 TO 20 MILES, HER ESTIMATE, OFF THE SYRIAN COAST, THE AMERICANS AND BRITISH GIRLS WERE ORDERED UP ON DECK. MRS. KLINGHOFFER PUSHED HER HUSBAND'S WHEELCHAIR WITH THE GROUP TO THE STAIRS. AT THIS POINT, ONE OF THE HIJACKERS SAID HE (MR. KLINGHOFFER) CANNOT GO UP THE STAIRS AND TO LEAVE HIM THERE. SHE WENT UP WITHOUT HIM.

THEY WERE BROUGHT TO AN AREA BELOW THE BRIDGE OF THE SHIP WHERE THEY SPREAD THE AMERICANS AND BRITISH OUT ACROSS THE DECK AREA AND PUT CANS OF BENZINE AROUND AND AMONG THEM, REMOVING THE TOPS OFF THE CANS.

IT APPEARED THE HIJACKERS TOOK A LIKING TO THE BRITISH GIRLS. AND THEY WOULD WALK OVER TO THEM AND DROP HALF SMOKE CIGARETTES IN FRONT OF THEM, ALLOWING THEM TO PICK THEM UP AND SMOKE. THE AMERICANS WERE NOT ALLOWED TO SMOKE. THE ENTIRE GROUP WAS MADE TO SIT UP STRAIGHT, WHICH WAS UNCOMFORTABLE FOR THE ELDERLY PEOPLE.

AFTER ABOUT ONE TO ONE AND A HALF HOURS, WHILE SITTING ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE SHIP IN THE GROUP, SHE HEARD TWO SHOTS AND A SPLASH AS THOUGH SOMETHING HIT THE WATER. SHE REMEMBERS AT THAT MOMENT LOOKING UP AND SEEING THE CAPTAIN ON THE BRIDGE LOOKING DOWN AT HER.

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THEY REMAINED SITTING ON THAT DECK FOR ANOTHER HOUR, STILL HAVING TO SIT UP STRAIGHT. SHE AT ONE POINT PLACED HER HANDBAG BEHIND HER TO LEAN BACK ON FOR SUPPORT BUT THEY ORDERED HER TO REMAIN UPRIGHT. AT THE TIME SHE HEARD THE SHOTS, THREE OUT OF THE FOUR HIJACKERS WERE PRESENT ON THE DECK GUARDING THEM. THE FOURTH, THE ONLY ONE WITH A BEARD AND MUSTACHE, WAS MISSING. SHE BELIEVES HE WAS CALLED [] (PH). SHE IS NOT SURE OF THE NAMES OF THE OTHERS. WHEN []

CAME TO THE DECK AREA, SHE DID NOT NOTICE ANYTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT HIM SUCH AS BLOOD ON HIS SHIRT AND PANTS AS REPORTED IN THE PRESS.

THEY WERE THEN ORDERED BACK DOWN TO THE LOUNGE AND IT APPEARED FROM WHAT PEOPLE WERE SAYING THAT THE SYRIANS WERE NOT ALLOWING THE SHIP TO DOCK. SHE IMMEDIATELY ASKED WHERE HER HUSBAND WAS. THE HIJACKERS WOULD NOT TELL HER. AT ONE POINT, ONE OF THE BRITISH GIRLS, WITH DARK HAIR, SAID HER HUSBAND HAD HEART PALPITATIONS AND HAD BEEN BROUGHT TO THE HOSPITAL.

FOR THE NEXT TWO DAYS, UNTIL THE HIJACKERS LEFT, SHE HAD NO

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IDEA WHERE OR HOW HER HUSBAND WAS. AT ONE POINT, SHE ASKED THE HIJACKER WITH THE BEARD IF SHE COULD GO TO THE HOSPITAL TO SEE HIM BUT WAS TOLD NO. SHE THEN ASKED HIM IF HE WOULD GO AND CHECK ON HER HUSBAND AND TELL HER HOW HE WAS. HE SAID YES HE WOULD AND KISSED HER ON THE FOREHEAD. HE CAME BACK SHORTLY AND SAT IN THE CORNER OF THE LOUNGE CRYING WITH HIS HEAD DOWN. AFTER ABOUT 45 MINUTES WHEN HE COMPOSED HIMSELF, HE CAME OVER TO HER AND SAID HER HUSBAND WAS ALL RIGHT AND AGAIN KISSED HER ON THE FOREHEAD.

DURING THIS TIME AFTER THE SHOOTING, WHEN THEY WERE AGAIN KEPT IN THE LOUNGE, SHE WAS SLEEPING ON THE FLOOR WHEN THE TALLEST OF THE FOUR HIJACKERS WOKE HER UP BY HITTING HER ON THE BOTTOM OF HER FEET AND THE BACK OF HER HEAD WITH THE STOCK OF HIS WEAPON. HE TOLD HER TO SIT UP.

WHEN THE HIJACKING WAS OVER AND BEFORE THEY LEFT THE SHIP, THE HIJACKERS OPENED THEIR LUGGAGE IN FRONT OF THE PASSENGERS TO SHOW THEM THEY WERE NOT TAKING ANY OF THE PASSENGERS' POSSESSIONS. WHEN THEY LEFT, MRS. KLINGHOFFER WENT TO THE HOSPITAL BUT HER HUSBAND WAS NOT THERE. SHE ASKED THE DOCTOR ABOUT HIM AND HE SAID THE

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CAPTAIN WOULD TELL HER. SHE WAS EVENTUALLY ABLE TO SEE THE CAPTAIN IN HIS STUDY WHERE SEVERAL OTHERS WERE PRESENT, INCLUDING AN AUSTRIAN DIPLOMAT, AND THE CAPTAIN TOLD HER THAT HER HUSBAND WAS DEAD. THE CAPTAIN SAID HE SAW THE SHOOTING AND SAW HIM THROWN OVERBOARD AND SAID HE KNEW WHO DID IT BUT COULD NOT SAY THEN. THE CAPTAIN HAD MR. KLINGHOFFER'S PASSPORT BUT WOULD NOT RETURN IT TO MRS. KLINGHOFFER. THE CAPTAIN ALSO ADVISED HER THAT THE HIJACKERS HAD A LIST OF PASSENGERS THAT THEY INTENDED TO SHOOT. FROM WHAT SHE CAN RECALL, THE CAPTAIN SAID [REDACTED] WAS NUMBER TWO,

[REDACTED] WAS NUMBER FOUR, AND [REDACTED] WAS SOMEWHERE ON THE LIST. MRS. KLINGHOFFER ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] HAD NO IDEA SHE WAS ON THE LIST AND DID NOT PLEAD FOR HER LIFE AS REPORTED IN THE PRESS.

SHE BELIEVES HER HUSBAND WAS SINGLED OUT BECAUSE HE WAS THE WEAKEST. HE HAD HAD A STROKE SEVEN YEARS AGO AND WAS PARALYZED ON THE RIGHT SIDE. ALTHOUGH CONFINED TO A WHEELCHAIR, HIS MIND WAS CLEAR AND HIS SPEECH NORMAL. HE DID NOT HAVE TO BE STRAPPED IN THE WHEELCHAIR.

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SHE WAS TOLD BY [REDACTED] OTHER PASSENGERS ON THE SHIP, THAT THE BARTENDER IN THE SORRENTO LOUNGE HAD WITNESSED THE SHOOTING OF HER HUSBAND, AS IT OCCURRED RIGHT OUTSIDE THE BAR AND TOLD THE [REDACTED] HE WOULD TESTIFY TO THAT. FURTHER, THE [REDACTED] FOUND A PIECE OF SHELL FRAGMENT AT THE SPOT WHERE MR. KLINGHOFFER WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN SHOT. SHE DOES NOT KNOW IF THE [REDACTED] STILL HAVE THIS FRAGMENT.

MRS. KLINGHOFFER SAW THE SPOT WHERE THEY BELIEVED HER HUSBAND WAS SHOT AND THERE WAS BLOOD SPLATTERED ON THE SORRENTO LOUNGE WINDOW, DOWN THE SIDE OF THE SHIP, AND ON THE DECK, ALTHOUGH THE DECK APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN CLEANED UP. IT ALSO APPEARED TO HER THAT A BULLET HAD STRUCK THE DECK RAILING AS THERE WAS A MARK ON IT.

MRS. KLINGHOFFER BELIEVES THE SHIP'S PHOTOGRAPHER WOULD HAVE PICTURES OF THE FOUR HIJACKERS AS EACH PASSENGER FIRST COMING ON BOARD HAD HIS/HER PICTURE TAKEN.

SHE DOES NOT BELIEVE ANYONE ON THE SHIP, AMONG THE PASSENGERS AND CREW, ASSISTED THE FOUR HIJACKERS IN ANYWAY.

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STOPPED IN SICILY AND MRS. KLINGHOFFER WAS TAKEN TO SEE THE HIJACKERS IN A LIVE LINEUP. IN THE PRESENCE OF AN ITALIAN MAGISTRATE, MRS. KLINGHOFFER ENTERED FOUR ROOMS AND IN EACH WERE FIVE OR SIX MEN IN A LINEUP. SHE IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFIED THE FOUR HIJACKERS, ONE IN EACH LINEUP. SHE SAID WHEN SHE SAW THE ONE WITH THE BEARD AND HE SAW HER, HE PUT HIS HEAD DOWN. SHE WILL HAVE NO PROBLEM IDENTIFYING THEM AGAIN, LIVE OR IN A PHOTO LINEUP.

MRS. KLINGHOFFER WAS INTERVIEWED BY THE EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES FOR TWO HOURS AFTER THE HIJACKING AND A TRANSLATOR HAD TO BE USED. IT WAS HER OPINION THAT THE EGYPTIANS "TRIED TO POKE HOLES IN HER STATEMENT, LOOKING FOR CONTRADICTIONS."

IN SICILY, THE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES INTERVIEWED HER, AGAIN THROUGH AN INTERPRETER, FOR ABOUT TWO HOURS PRIOR TO HER VIEWING THE LINEUP.

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THIS COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED "SECRET" IN ITS ENTIRETY.
FBI, NEWARK, BY TELETYPE DATED 10/16/85, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:
ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERAGENCY

HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING GROUP INTERVIEWED THE FOLLOWING HOSTAGES WHO

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SUMMARY OF THE INTERVIEW FOLLOWS:

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE AND HIS WIFE WERE HAVING LUNC. ALONG WITH ABOUT 20 OTHER PASSENGERS IN THE SHIP'S MAIN DINING ROOM WHEN HE FIRST BECAME AWARE THAT SOMETHING HAD GONE WRONG. HE STATED THAT THIS WAS APPROXIMATELY 1:20 P.M., ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1965. [REDACTED] ADDED THAT MOST OF THE PASSENGERS HAD LEFT THE SHIP AT THE TIME THAT THE HIJACKING BEGAN. HE RECALLED HEARING WHAT HE WAS CERTAIN WAS GUN FIRE FROM OUTSIDE THE DINING ROOM AND THEN OBSERVED TWO ARABIC LOOKING MALES BURST THROUGH THE DINING ROOM DOOR.

[REDACTED] SAID THAT MANY OF THE PASSENGERS BEGAN TO CRAWL UNDER THE DINING ROOM'S TABLES AND THAT THE TWO INTRUDERS FIRED SHOTS OVER THEIR HEADS FROM AUTOMATIC RIFLES WHICH THE INTRUDERS HAD SLUNG OVER THEIR SHOULDER. [REDACTED] SAID THAT HE HAD NO DOUBT AT THIS TIME THAT SOME SORT OF TERRORISTIC ACT WAS TAKING PLACE ONBOARD THE SHIP. THE PASSENGERS IN THE DINING ROOM WERE INSTRUCTED TO REMAIN ON THE FLOOR AND ONE OF THE TWO GUNMEN DEPARTED. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, TWO OR THREE OTHER GUNMEN RETURNED ESCORTING ALL OF THE REMAINING PASSENGERS AND WHAT APPEARED TO BE THE ENTIRE

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ON BOARD THE SHIP INTO THE DINING ROOM. ALL OF THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE INSTRUCTED TO SIT ON THE DINING ROOM FLOOR AND THE SPACE AVAILABLE BECAME VERY CRAMPED. KOSAC RECALLED THAT ONE ELDERLY PASSENGER DID NOT COMPREHEND THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN TO HIM TO SIT DOWN AND WAS STRUCK BY ONE OF THE GUNMEN WITH THE BUTT OF HIS RIFLE. IT WAS [REDACTED] RECOLLECTION THAT THE ENTIRE GROUP REMAINED IN THE DINING ROOM FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO AND ONE-HALF HOURS.

FOLLOWING THEIR CONFINEMENT IN THE SHIP'S DINING ROOM, ALL OF THE PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS WERE ESCORTED UP TWO DECKS TO WHAT [REDACTED] BELIEVED TO BE THE MAIN LOUNGE ONBOARD THE SHIP. HE RECALLED THAT THERE WAS A GREAT DEAL OF FRENZIED ACTIVITY BY THE GUNMEN AFTER THE GROUP WAS LED INTO THE LOUNGE. HE THOUGHT THAT THIS WENT ON FOR A PERIOD OF ABOUT FIVE HOURS. DURING THIS TIME, FEMALE PASSENGERS WERE ALLOWED TO VISIT A NEARBY REST ROOM BUT THE MALE PASSENGERS WERE NOT. EVENTUALLY MALE PASSENGERS WERE ALLOWED TO TAKE REST BREAKS, ONE AT A TIME, ONLY UPON RECEIVING PERMISSION FROM THE GUNMEN.

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[REDACTED] SAID THAT SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT ON TUESDAY MORNING

... THE SHIP'S PASSENGERS BY NATIONALITY. ... THIS ... COLLECTING PASSPORTS FROM THE INDIVIDUAL PASSENGERS ... SHIP'S OFFICIALS WHO HAD CUSTODY OF THE PASSPORTS. AFTER THE AMERICANS HAD BEEN SEGREGATED, ... NOTED THAT THERE WERE FOUR MEN AND EIGHT WOMEN, ALL OF WHOM APPEARED TO BE OVER 35 YEARS OF AGE. [] RECALLED THAT, DESPITE THE FACT THAT HE AND HIS WIFE WERE THE ONLY AMERICANS WHO WERE NOT JEWISH, THE GUARDS APPEARED UNCONCERNED WITH THE RELIGION OF ANY OF THE PASSENGERS. [] SAID THAT THERE WAS A GROUP OF SIX YOUNG ENGLISH WOMEN WHO CONSTITUTED A DANCE TROUPE EMPLOYED AS ENTERTAINMENT BY THE SHIP. THESE SIX WOMEN WERE SEGREGATED IN A SEPARATE AREA OF THE LOUNGE. THE LARGEST GROUP OF PASSENGERS WERE GERMAN AND AUSTRIAN AND THEY WERE REGULATED TO ANOTHER SECTION OF THE LOUNGE. THE ITALIAN CREW TOOK UP THE LARGEST AREA AND WERE KEPT IN THE OPPOSITE END OF THE LOUNGE FROM THE AMERICANS. [] SAID THAT DURING ALL OF THE TIME THAT THE AMERICANS WERE KEPT IN THE MAIN LOUNGE THEY WERE GUARDED BY AT LEAST ONE OF THE GUNMEN. HE SAID THAT THIS GUARD DUTY APPEARED TO TAKE

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SAID THAT HE COULD RECALL ANOTHER ONE OF THE GUNNER WHO HE REFERRED TO AS SUBJECT "NUMBER TWO", BECAUSE HE WAS PARTICULARLY NASTY. THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS ALSO TALL, APPROXIMATELY 6'-5"1", AND APPEARED TO BE ABOUT 27 YEARS OF AGE. SUBJECT

[REDACTED] TWO WAS CLEAN SHAVEN AND WORE WESTERN-STYLE CASUAL CLOTHING.

[REDACTED] SAID THAT HE DID NOT SEE AS MUCH OF THE OTHER TWO GUNMEN, BUT RECALLED THAT THEY ALL DRESSED ALIKE, IN CASUAL WESTERN-STYLE CLOTHING. HE DID RECALL THAT SUBJECT NUMBER ONE WORE WHITE ATHLETIC STYLE SHOES. HE NEVER LEARNED THE REAL NAMES OF ANY OF THE GUNMEN, BUT THOUGHT THAT HE HEARD THE NAMES AHMAL

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AND FOR BEING USED BY THE SUBJECTS TO GET THE ATTENTION OF OTHER MEMBERS.

AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE NASTY ATTITUDE EXHIBITED BY SUBJECT NUMBER TWO, [] RECALLED HOW HE HAD TERRORIZED SEVERAL OF THE PASSENGERS SOMETIME AFTER MIDNIGHT ON WEDNESDAY MORNING. THIS INDIVIDUAL TOOK [] AND HIS WIFE, TWO OTHER FEMALE PASSENGERS, AND TWO OF THE ENGLISH WOMEN AND SAT THEM ON THE BARDSTAND IN THE LOUNGE. HE THEN GAVE THREE OF THE WOMEN HAND GRENADES WITH THE PINS REMOVED TO HOLD. IT APPEARED THAT THE IDEA OF THIS EXERCISE WAS TO MAKE THE WOMEN BELIEVE THAT ANY LAPSE IN THEIR ENDURANCE WHICH WOULD CAUSE THEM TO LOSE A GRIP ON THE GRENADES WOULD COST THEM THEIR LIVES. HE SAID THAT THIS EXERCISE DID NOT GO ON FOR LONG, HOWEVER, BECAUSE SUBJECT NUMBER ONE SUCCEEDED IN TALKING SUBJECT NUMBER TWO OUT OF PROCEEDING WITH IT. [] BELIEVED THAT THIS GAME WAS ENDED BECAUSE OF AN ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE SHIP WOULD BE LEAVING AROUND 6:00 OR 6:30 IN THE MORNING. [] ADDED THAT THIS INTER-CESSION ON THE PART OF SUBJECT NUMBER ONE WAS ONE OF SEVERAL INCIDENTS WHICH LED HIM TO BELIEVE THAT SUBJECT NUMBER ONE WAS

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OTHER SPECIFIC ASPECT CONCERNING THE APPEARANCE OF EITHER SUBJECT
GILBERT TREF OR SUBJECT GIBBY FOUR. HE SAID THAT ONE OF THESE
TWO INDIVIDUALS WAS APPARENTLY IRRITATED ON THE BACK OF HIS
NECK BY HIS RIFLE SLING AND EVENTUALLY WRAPPED SOME TYPE OF
CLOTH AROUND THE SLING.

[REDACTED] RECALLED THAT THE HARASSMENT TO WHICH THE AMERICAN
PASSENGERS WERE SUBJECTED DURING BOTH NIGHTS OF THEIR CAPTIVITY
CONSISTED MAINLY OF THE CONSTANT BRANDISHING OF RIFLES AND
HAND GRENADES IN A THREATENING MANNER AND THE UTTERANCE OF
REPEATED PROPAGANDA STATEMENTS IN CRUDE ENGLISH. THESE UTTERANCES
CONSISTED MAINLY OF ANTI-AMERICAN AND ANTI-REAGAN ATTACKS AND
PRO-ARAFAT STATEMENTS. HE RECALLED AN OCCASIONAL REFERENCE
TO A RECENT INCIDENT WHICH HE BELIEVED TO BE THE ISREALI RAID
ON TUNIS. [REDACTED] SAID THAT NONE OF THE GUNMEN EVER REVEALED
ANYTHING PERSONAL IN NATURE ABOUT HIMSELF AND THAT COMMUNICATION
WAS GENERALLY LIMITED TO CRUDE COMMANDS AND CRUDE PROPAGANDA
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[REDACTED] STATED THAT THE PASSENGERS WERE NOT BODILY ATTACKED

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PAINS TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THEY HAD NOT STOLEN ANYTHING FROM
THE SHIP OR OTHER PASSENGERS.

[] ADVISED THAT THE ITALIAN CREW OF THE ACHILLE LAURO
APPEARED TO BE EXTREMELY COOPERATIVE WITH THE FOUR GUNMEN. HE
ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS COOPERATION DID NOT APPEAR TO BE PART
OF A CONSPIRACY INCLUDING ANY OF THE CREW MEMBERS. HE SAID THAT
THE SHIP'S COOKS WERE ALLOWED TO BAKE BREAD AND THAT THE PASSENGERS
WERE SERVED SANDWICHES PERIODICALLY. [] STATED THAT THE
GUNMEN DID NOT SEEM TO BE OVERLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY
OF A RESCUE ATTEMPT. OUTSIDE OF THE STRATEGIC DEPLOYMENT OF
CANS OF FLAMMABLE LIQUID, BELIEVED TO BE BENZENE, []
DID NOT OBSERVE ANY TYPE OF DEFENSIVE ACTIVITY OR PLANNING
UNDERTAKEN BY THE GUNMEN. [] STATED THAT THE GUNMEN APPEARED,
AT TIMES, TO BE SCHIZOPHRENIC BECAUSE OF THE FREQUENT DRASTIC

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1. KUBACKI ADVISED THAT AT APPROXIMATELY 11:00 P.M. ON THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 3, 1965, THE GROUP OF AMERICANS WERE TAKEN OUT OF THE MAIN LOUNGE AND UP A FLIGHT OF STAIRS AND EVENTUALLY TO A SMALL DECK WHERE PASSENGERS DID NOT NORMALLY HAVE ACCESS. KUBACKI INDICATED WHEN HE THOUGHT THIS AREA WAS ON A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE ACHILLE LAURO. THE PLACE INDICATED APPEARED TO BE FORWARD OF AND BELOW THE SHIP'S BRIDGE. HE DESCRIBED IT AS A HALF STEEL DECK, APPROXIMATELY 30 FEET IN DIAMETER, WHICH THEY HAD TO CLIMB DOWN LADDERS TO REACH. FROM HERE [] COULD SEE FIGURES UP ON THE SHIP'S BRIDGE. HE SAID THE AMERICANS WERE ARRANGED IN A PATTERN AROUND THIS SMALL DECK AND WERE EVENTUALLY JOINED BY THE SIX ENGLISH WOMEN WHO WERE INTERSPERSED AMONG THEM. STILL LATER AN ELDERLY AUSTRIAN COUPLE WAS PLACED WITH THIS GROUP. KUBACKI SPECULATED THAT THE AUSTRIANS MIGHT HAVE BEEN MISTAKEN FOR AUSTRALIANS BECAUSE OF THE LANGUAGE BARRIER EXISTING

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... PASSENGERS WERE LOCATED ON THIS SMALL STEEL DECK.

[] SAID THAT ONCE THE PASSENGERS WERE ARRANGED ON THIS
SMALL DECK, HE NOTICED THAT THEY WERE WATCHED FROM ABOVE BY
TWO GUNMEN. HE NOTICED THE COASTLINE OF WHAT HE BELIEVED TO BE
SYRIA ABOUT TWO MILES IN THE DISTANCE. AFTER THE PASSENGERS
HAD BEEN SETTLED ON THIS DECK FOR SEVERAL MINUTES, [] RECALLED
HEARING WHAT HE DISTINCTLY BELIEVED TO BE TWO GUNSHOTS.

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[] WAS CERTAIN THAT THESE SOUNDS WERE FOLLOWED SHORTLY
THEREAFTER BY TWO SPLASHING SOUNDS. [] SAID THE THOUGHT
IMMEDIATELY OCCURRED TO HIM THAT THE ABSENT KLINGHOFFER HAD BEEN
SHOT. HE BELIEVED THAT THE LOCATION FROM WHICH THE SOUNDS
EMMANATED WAS IN THE AFT STARBOARD SECTION OF THE SHIP. WHILE

STRATEGICALLY PLACED SEVERAL FEET AWAY FROM THE GUNMAN, WHO IS A SMOKER, EVENTUALLY ASKED PERMISSION TO LIGHT CIGARETTE AND IT WAS DENIED. HE RECALLED HOWEVER THAT THE ENGLISH MEN WHO WERE FURTHEST AWAY FROM THE OPEN CAYS OF BENZENE WERE LATER GIVEN LIGHTED CIGARETTES BY ONE OF THE GUNMEN.

[] SAID THAT AFTER APPROXIMATELY FOUR OR FIVE HOURS OF BEING GUARDED ON THIS SMALL DECK, A SLIGHT WAVE OF JOYFULNESS SEEMED TO SWEEP OVER THE GUNMEN. THIS REACTION WAS NEVER EXPLAINED. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER THE PASSENGERS WERE TAKEN BACK TO THEIR RESPECTIVE DETENTION AREAS IN THE MAIN LOUNGE. [] SAID THAT APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES AFTER BEING RETURNED TO THE LOUNGE, THE GUNMAN WHO HE DESCRIBED AS SUBJECT NUMBER TWO ESCORTED THE AMERICAN PASSENGERS TO A CHILDREN'S PLAYROOM AREA WHICH WAS CLOSE TO A WASHROOM. [] SAID THAT HE OBSERVED TWO

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ALL OF WHICH, I BELIEVE, WERE

ITALIAN CREW MEMBERS CLIMBED UP ON TOP OF THE FLOOR. HE
ON THE WAY TO THIS PLAY AREA AND RECALLED THAT HE THOUGHT THEY
MIGHT HAVE BEEN CLEANING BLOOD LEFT FROM THE SHOOTING THAT
HE SAID THAT, AT ANY RATE, THE GUNMAN DID NOT SEEM TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THIS
ACTIVITY ON THE PART OF THE CREW MEMBERS. THE GUNMAN DID
BECOME ENRAGED HOWEVER WHEN THREE OTHER CREW MEMBERS SHOWED UP
IN THE AREA SHORTLY THEREAFTER APPARENTLY WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION.

[REDACTED] RECALLED THAT THIS CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA WAS DOWNSTAIRS
FROM THE MAIN LOUNGE AND IN THE VICINITY OF A BARBER'S SHOP.
HE SAID THAT THE PASSENGERS WERE LEFT ALONE HERE, BEHIND A
CLOSED DOOR FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS. IT WAS DURING THEIR
DETAINMENT HERE THAT [REDACTED] THOUGHT OF A PLAN WHEREBY HE MIGHT
BE ABLE TO SAVE SOME LIVES IF THE GUNMEN RETURNED AND STARTED
TO SHOOT THE PASSENGERS. HE SAID HE BELIEVED THIS TO BE A
DISTINCT POSSIBILITY BECAUSE SUBJECT NUMBER TWO HAD TOLD THEM THAT
THEY WOULD BE "FINISHED" IN TWO HOURS. [REDACTED] SAID HE NOTICED
A CIGAR STAND WITH A HEAVY BOTTOM IN THE AREA AND THOUGHT THAT
IF SUBJECT NUMBER TWO CAME BACK AND STARTED FIRING HE MIGHT BE

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20. [REDACTED] STATED THAT [REDACTED] CALLED THAT SOME LIVES MIGHT BE LOST IN THE PROCESS. [REDACTED] SAID HE THOUGHT THAT THE GUNMAN'S BODY MIGHT BE DISPOSED OF OVERBOARD AND DECIDED THAT IT WOULD ALSO BE BEST TO DISPOSE OF HIS WEAPON RATHER THAN RISK FURTHER BRAGGING THE OTHER GUNMEN BY RETAINING IT. THIS ACTION WAS NOT NECESSARY, HOWEVER, BECAUSE AFTER APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS, ALL OF THE PASSENGERS WERE TAKEN BACK TO THE MAIN LOUNGE WITHOUT INCIDENT. [REDACTED] RECALLED THAT IT WAS SOMETIME AFTER THEY WERE RETURNED TO THE LOUNGE WHEN THE PASSENGERS WERE TERRORIZED BY THE PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED HAND GRENADE EXERCISE.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT AFTER DAWN ON WEDNESDAY MORNING, THERE WAS A LOT OF AGONIZING WAITING AS THE SHIP STOOD DEAD IN THE WATER. HE SAID THAT CURTAINS WERE DRAWN SO THAT HE COULD NOT GET AN IDEA OF THE SHIP'S LOCATION OR ANY ACTIVITY OUTSIDE.

[REDACTED] COULD NOT RECALL MUCH OTHER ACTIVITY FROM WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1985. HE DID REMEMBER THAT ABOUT 15 OR 20 MINUTES PRIOR TO THE DEPARTURE OF THE GUNMEN THERE WAS A FLURRY OF ACTIVITY PROMPTED BY THE APPARENT APPEARANCE OF AN AIRPLANE IN

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AFTER VOON HE HEARD SOME APPLAUS, AND THEN HE SAW AUSTRIAN
PASSENGERS AND SUDDENLY REALIZED THE GUNMAN HAD GONE. SHORTLY
THEREAFTER AN ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE OVER THE SHIP'S PUBLIC
ADDRESS SYSTEM THAT THE SHIP HAD BEEN FREED. [] STATED
THAT HE IMMEDIATELY PROCEEDED TO THE AREA WHERE HE THOUGHT
KLINGHOFFER HAD BEEN SHOT. THERE HE OBSERVED A BLOOD SPOT ON THE
FLOOR AND A NEARBY FIRE HYDRANT STILL DRIPPING. HE SAW SEVERAL
ITALIAN CREWMEN STANDING AROUND POINTING TO THAT SPOT AND
OBSERVED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A FRESH SCRATCH ON THE RAILING
NEARBY. [] SAID THAT HE LOOKED OVER THE RAILING AND SAW
WHAT HE THOUGHT TO BE A BLOOD STAIN ON A PROTRUSION BELOW THE
LEVEL OF THE DECK.

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THE ONLY OTHER INFORMATION WHICH [] COULD PROVIDE
CONCERNING THE MURDER OF KLINGHOFFER WAS OBTAINED SECOND HAND
FROM AN ITALIAN CREW MEMBER. [] DESCRIBED THIS CREW MEMBER
AS A BARTENDER WHO OBVIOUSLY WORE A TOUPEE. HE SAID THAT THIS
BARTENDER STATED HE HAD ACTUALLY OBSERVED KLINGHOFFER BEING SHOT.
THE BARTENDER'S STORY INDICATED THAT THE GUNMAN DESCRIBED AS

FROM SHOT ALONGSIDE IN THE DECK. THE SOURCE HAS ADVISED
THAT THE FOUR GUNMEN HAD PASSPORTS OF ITALIAN, GREEK,
ARGENTINIAN AND SPANISH ORIGIN.

[] COULD NOT RECALL HAVING SEEN ANY OF THE FOUR GUNMEN
ONBOARD THE SHIP PRIOR TO THE START OF THE HIJACKING. HE DID
HOWEVER, STATE THAT HE COULD NOT FORGET ANY OF THEIR FACES. HE
ADDED THAT HE HAD PICKED FOUR INDIVIDUALS FROM FOUR DIFFERENT
LINEUPS CONDUCTED BY ITALIAN AUTHORITIES WHILE HIS RETURN FLIGHT
MADE A STOPOVER IN SICILY. HE SAID THAT HE HAD NO DIFFICULTY
IN PICKING THE INDIVIDUALS FROM THE LINEUPS.

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[] ADVISED THAT EACH OF THE FOUR GUNMEN WAS EQUIPPED
IDENTICALLY. EACH HAD AN AUTOMATIC RIFLE SLUNG AROUND HIS NECK.
THE RIFLES WERE FURTHER DESCRIBED AS HAVING RELATIVELY SHORT
BARRELS, OPEN FRAME STOCKS, AND LONG, CURVED MAGAZINES. EACH
MAN HAD AT LEAST TWO HAND GRENADES CLIPPED TO HIS BELT. THE
GRENADES WERE ABOUT THE SIZE OF A LARGE LEMON AND SILVER IN
COLOR. NO SIDEARMS OR OTHER WEAPONS OR EXPLOSIVES WERE OBSERVED.

ALL THE MEN IN THE AREA WERE SEARCHED AND NO WEAPONS WERE FOUND. THE MEN WERE THEN PLACED IN A BUS AND TRANSPORTED TO A LOCATION DESCRIBED.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE FIRST SEARCH, THE MEN INITIALED A DIAGRAM OF THE ACILLE LABRO'S BOOKS AND A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE ACILLE LABRO WERE LOCATIONS OF VARIOUS ACTIVITIES PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED HAD BEEN NOTED.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT ONE OF THE ARMED MEN INDICATED THAT HE WAS WITH THE PLO. HIS NAME WAS "AD-HAD". SHE DESCRIBED THIS MAN AS FOLLOWS: 5'10" - 6', THIN BUILD, SHORT BLACK CURLY HAIR, THICK MUSTACHE, WEARING A SWEATSHIRT WITH AN ENSIGNIA AND WRITING.

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EACH OF THE MEN [REDACTED] WITNESSED WAS CARRYING AN AUTOMATIC WEAPON, DESCRIBED AS A HEAVY WEAPON WITH A WIRE STOCK AND CURVED AMMUNITION HOLDER. THE WEAPONS COULD BE DISASSEMBLED, IF NEEDED.

ONCE THE PASSENGERS WERE SEPARATED INTO DIFFERENT GROUPS, THEY WERE CONSTANTLY UNDER GUARD. THE AMERICANS WERE TREATED

FACILITIES, HOWEVER, THE AIRCRAFT WAS NOT ALLOWED TO USE
THE TOILET FACILITIES.

FROM TIME TO TIME, THE HIJACKERS, AS SHE DESCRIBED THEM,
THREATENED THE PASSENGERS WITH THEIR WEAPONS. ALSO, PAGE REPEATED
ANTI-AMERICAN SLOGANS, FOR EXAMPLE "AMERICA'S BAD", "ARABAT
GOOD".

THE HIJACKERS DREW THE SHUTTERS OVER THE WINDOWS WHICH STAYED
DOWN DURING HER ENTIRE CAPTIVITY. THE LIGHTS WERE KEPT ON DAY
AND NIGHT, PLUS THE DOORS LEADING INTO THE LOUNGE AREA WERE
LOCKED.

THE HIJACKERS WERE EXTREMELY AGGITATED AND SHOUTED TO EACH
OTHER FREQUENTLY. SEVERAL HAND-HELD RADIOS WERE IN CONSTANT
USE. [] MENTIONED THAT THE GUARDS DISPATCHED TO WATCH THE
PASSENGERS WERE TALKING TO OTHER COLLEAGUES IN THE CAPTAIN'S
BRIDGE AREA. ALSO, SHE BELIEVED THE HIJACKERS WERE TALKING TO

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SECTION FOUR OF FOUR

~~MAIN SUBJECT, IT-HOSTAGE TAKING; OO: WFO;~~

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF HOSTAGES ON BOARD THE ITALIAN CRUISE
SHIP "LE ACHILLE LAURO", ON OCTOBER 12, 1985

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SUPPORTERS ON BOARD.

ONE OF THE HIJACKERS APPEARED TO BE IN CHARGE. SHE DID NOT KNOW THIS MAN'S AGE, BUT SHE DESCRIBED HIM AS THE OLDEST, APPROXIMATELY 5'7" TALL, WORE A GREY SHIRT AND HEAVY JACKET TYPE VEST. HE ALSO HAD GRENADES STRAPPED AROUND HIS WAIST. THE GRENADES WERE BROWNISH IN COLOR.

DURING THE FIRST NIGHT A CONSTANT BARRAGE OF RADIO TRAFFIC CONTINUED UNABATED. SHE UNDERSTOOD THE HIJACKERS WERE TALKING TO TUNIS. NO OTHER EPISODES OCCURRED THAT EVENING.

ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1985, AT APPROXIMATELY 11:00 A.M., THE GROUP OF 12 AMERICANS WERE INSTRUCTED TO LEAVE THE LOUNGE AREA. SHE WALKED ALONG WITH THE OTHER AMERICANS TO AN OUTSIDE DECK. THE GROUP REACHED THIS DECK BY CLIMBING DOWN A LADDER. MR. KLINGHOFFER DID NOT ACCOMPANY THE GROUP SINCE HE WAS CONFINED TO A WHEELCHAIR.

MRS. KLINGHOFFER PLEADED WITH THE HIJACKERS NOT TO HARM HER HUSBAND. THEY ASSURED HER THAT NOTHING WOULD HAPPEN TO HIM.

WHEN THE GROUP ARRIVED ON THE OUTSIDE DECK, THE AMERICANS

THE GROUP WAS ASSEMBLED ON THE DECK.

THE GROUP WAS ASSEMBLED ON THE DECK. THE GROUP CONSISTED OF
ENGLISH SCHOOL GIRLS. ALSO, AN AMERICAN COUPLE APPEARED.
THE HIJACKERS THREATENED THE GROUP, TELLING THEM THAT IF THEIR
DEMANDS WERE NOT MET, A HELICOPTER WOULD FLY OVER THE DECK AND
SHOOT THEM. TO ENHANCE THEIR THREAT, THE HIJACKERS PLACED TWO
LARGE CANS OF BENZENE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE GROUP.

THE HIJACKERS DEMANDED THAT 50 OF THEIR COLLEAGUES BE RELEASED
FROM JAIL. SHE DID NOT KNOW THE SPECIFIC LOCATIONS WHERE THE
HIJACKERS COLLEAGUES WERE BEING HELD.

THE GROUP REMAINED ASSEMBLED ON THE DECK FOR APPROXIMATELY
FOUR HOURS. [REDACTED] DID NOT HEAR ANYTHING UNUSUAL DURING THIS
TIME NOR DID SHE SEE MR. KLINGHOFFER AFTER LEAVING THE LOUNGE
AREA.

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AFTER FOUR HOURS, AT APPROXIMATELY 4:00 P.M., THE GROUP WAS
BROUGHT EN MASS BACK INSIDE. BEFORE ENTERING THE LOUNGE AREA,
THE AMERICANS WERE BROUGHT INTO A ROOM, WHICH SHE DESCRIBED
AS THE CHILDREN'S PLAYROOM. PRIOR TO ENTERING THE PLAYROOM, SHE

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... AFTER TWO HOURS, THE GROUP ...
IT WAS APPROXIMATELY 9:00 P.M.

MRS. KLINGHOFFER ASKED ONE OF THE HIJACKERS WHERE HER HUSBAND WAS. SHE WAS TOLD HE HAD SUFFERED A HEART ATTACK AND WAS THEN TAKEN TO THE SHIP'S HOSPITAL. KLINGHOFFER'S HUSBAND MENTIONED TO MRS. KLINGHOFFER THAT HE BELIEVED HER HUSBAND HAD BEEN KILLED.

THAT SAME EVENING, THE HIJACKERS SELECTED THREE WOMEN FROM THE AMERICAN GROUP. THEY WERE BROUGHT TO THE FRONT OF THE GROUP AND SEATED IN CHAIRS. ONE OF THE HIJACKERS REMOVED SEVERAL GRENADES FROM HIS BELT, PLACED THE GRENADES ON THEIR CHAIRS AND THREATENED TO PULL THE PINS OUT. THIS EPISODE LASTED FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR.

ACTIVITIES PICKED UP LATER ON THAT EVENING, SINCE THE HIJACKERS ANNOUNCED THEY WERE LEAVING THE NEXT MORNING AT 6:30 A.M. DURING THIS TIME, MRS. KLINGHOFFER PLEADED WITH THE HIJACKERS TO SEE HER HUSBAND. [] FEARED THE WORST. HER

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THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS CONTINUED WELL INTO THE NEXT DAY.
THE 6:30 A.M., DEADLINE DID NOT HOLD TRUE. ACCORDING TO KIDNAPERS,
THE HIJACKERS WERE EXTREMELY FRUSTRATED WITH THE NEGOTIATIONS
WERE PROCEEDING.

PLACE AT APPROXIMATELY 4:30 P.M., ON OCTOBER 1971.

[REDACTED] MENTIONED THAT THE TALLEST OF THE HIJACKERS PROVIDED ONE OF THE ENGLISH SCHOOL GIRLS WITH HIS HOME ADDRESS.

[REDACTED] ALSO ADVISED THAT SHE NEVER OBSERVED ANY OF THE HIJACKERS SLEEPING OR EATING. A CREW MEMBER TOLD [REDACTED] THAT

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THE CAPTAIN OF THE SHIP...
TWO OF THE CREW HAS BOARDED THE SHIP IN...
IN CAPLES. THE CAPTAIN ALSO MENTIONED THAT...
CAN. LTD A ROMANIAN PASSPORT.

~~ADMINISTRATIVE~~

~~RE: MEMPHIS TELETYPE TO BUREAU, OCTOBER 12, 1965~~

~~PLEASE FOLLOW WITH ORIGINAL FD-302'S~~

~~WFO AND COPIES OF FD-302'S TO INTERESTED OFFICES.~~

~~THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH ABOVE INFORMATION TO~~

~~LEGATES~~

~~DISTRIBUTE OF INFORMATION HEREIN TO U. S. INTELLIGENCE~~

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FM DIRECTOR, FBI

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ON 03-18-2010

TO LEGAT, ROME

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USE AND PREPARATION OF FORM 0-73

Restrictions on Use

1. Only incoming teletype messages within the categories listed in MIOG-Section 16-1.7 pages 1251 & 1252 may be prepared using form 0-73.
2. Use of Form 0-73 is restricted to incoming teletype messages received at FBIHQ Communications Center within the last 72 hours.
3. Addressees must be Bureau Offices (LEGAT/Field) or other Government Agencies. **Geographical location must be indicated if other Government Agency is located outside the Washington, D.C. area.**
4. Editing of message text is restricted to typed or printed changes of a word or two. Changes to the existing text involving more than a word or two will require the originator to initiate a new message using Form 0-93. Administrative data may be added immediately following the text and must be identical for all addressees.
5. Teletype messages received by the Communications Center that do not meet the above criteria shall be returned to the originator for preparation using Form 0-93.

Preparation of 0-73 Form (Yellow)

1. **Date & Precedence** - Type or print date and indicate precedence by checking the appropriate box.
2. **Addressee(s)** - Type or print addressee(s) immediately following the "TO:" or place a check mark in the appropriate box. Note: When using block "Other," indicate geographical location if addressee(s) is located outside Washington, D.C. If addressee(s) is a military installation, the name of the base, fort, or station must be listed to ensure delivery.
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4. **Addressee Internal Distribution** - Complete when the originator wishes the message to be distributed to a known entity within a Headquarters Agency (i.e. Division, Section, Unit, etc.). List the addressee(s) abbreviation and the internal distribution, i.e. a message to Dept. of State, Dept. of Justice, and Defense Intelligence Agency; list on the "For" line(s) as follows:
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FM FBI, WASHINGTON FIELD (256-2) (P) (C-1)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI IMMEDIATE

ATTENTION: CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION, TERRORISM

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FBI, NEWARK (256-2) (P) (FCI-1/TTF) IMMEDIATE

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MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING-TERRORISM; OO:WFO.

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REFERENCE WFO TELEPHONE CALL TO NEWARK ON OCTOBER 18, 1985,
AND OCTOBER 21, 1985.

~~THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FORWARD LEAD INFORMATION TO~~
~~LEGAT, ROME.~~

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
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FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND NEWARK, []

[] MERCHANT MARINE SUB-COMMITTEE, WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC),
226-3500, ADVISED THAT [] ARE FLYING
INTO NATIONAL AIRPORT, WDC, OCTOBER 22, 1985, ON NEW YORK AIR
FLIGHT NUMBER 321, LEAVING NEWARK AT 8 O'CLOCK A.M. AND ARRIVING
AT NATIONAL AIRPORT AT 9:00 CLOCK A.M. THE [] WILL BE
MET AT THE AIRPORT BY A STAFF MEMBER FROM THE MERCHANT MARINE
SUB-COMMITTEE AND BROUGHT TO THE SENATE SUB-COMMITTEE
HEARING AT 1334 LONGWORTH BUILDING, CAPITOL HILL, WDC (TO
START AT 10 A.M.) AFTER THE HEARING, (AT APPROXIMATELY
11 A.M.) SPECIAL AGENTS (SAS) [] AND
[] WILL PICK UP THE [] EARLY AFTERNOON, THE
[] WILL BE MEETING WITH AUSA [] AND
[] WILL GO BEFORE THE FEDERAL GRAND JURY AT APPROXI-
MATELY 3:30 P.M.

THE [] HAVE A HOTEL RESERVATION AT FARRAGUT WEST HOTEL,
1808 I STREET, N.W., WDC, FOR TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 22,
1985, (HOTEL RESERVATIONS WERE CHANGED FROM MARRIOTT TO FARRAGUT
10/21/85.

THE [] WILL BE DEPARTING WDC ON OCTOBER 23, 1985,
ON NEW YORK AIR FLIGHT NUMBER 312, LEAVING NATIONAL AT 7:30 P.M.

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AND ARRIVING NEWARK AT 8:30 P.M.

LEADS. BUREAU. THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN FROM APPROPRIATE SOURCES A COPY OF INTERCEPTED COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN ABBAS AND THE TERRORISTS ABOARD THE ACHILLE LAURO DURING NEGOTIATIONS AT PORT SAID.

NEWARK DIVISION. AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY. (1) CONTACT THE AND RELAY FLIGHT AND HOTEL INFORMATION AS WELL AS TUESDAY'S ITINTERARY.

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(2) SEND TWO SETS OF COLOR PHOTOS OF THE FOUR TERRORISTS. WFO WILL RELAY ONE SET TO FBIHQ.

AT LEGAT, ROME. PHOTOGRAPHS OF INDIVIDUALS USED IN ITALIAN LINEUP WERE RECEIVED BY NEWARK DIVISION FROM LEGAT, BONN IN "GROUP" PACKAGES. NO EXPLANATION WAS RECEIVED REGARDING WHICH PHOTOGRAPHS WERE USED IN WHAT LINEUP WITH EACH TERRORIST. LEGAT, ROME IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES TO DETERMINE HOW THE PHOTO LINES UPS WERE PRESENTED. TO WITNESSESS IE WHICH INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS WERE USED WITH EACH SUBJECT PHOTOGRAPH FOR THE LINEUPS?

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FM LEGAT ROME (256-1) (P)

TO DIRECTOR IMMEDIATE

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REROMTELCALL TO FBIHQ TERRORISM

OCTOBER 23, 1985.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF FBIHQ, NEWSPAPER ARTICLES AND NEWS
MEDIA BROADCASTS IN ITALY ARE ADVISING THAT ONE OF THE FOUR
ARRESTED PALESTINIAN TERRORISTS IS BEING COOPERATIVE WITH
ITALIAN AUTHORITIES AND HAS ADMITTED THAT MOHAMMED ABU AL-ABBAS
IS THE LEADER OF THEIR GROUP AND DIRECTED THEIR ACTIVITY ABOARD
THE "ACHILLE LAURO". A SOURCE OF LEGAT ROME, WHO IS IN A POSITION
TO KNOW, WAS CONTACTED RE THIS MATTER AND ADVISED THAT SUBJECT IS A
TERRORIST NAMED [REDACTED] WAS COOPERATING TO SOME
EXTENT WITH AUTHORITIES. SPECIFICALLY, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT

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WHEN HE AND HIS COMRADES WERE ABOARD THE EGYPTIAN AIRCRAFT ON THE GROUND IN SIGONELLA, THAT ABU ABBAS TOLD THEM THAT THEY SHOULD SURRENDER AND THAT HE WOULD ORGANIZE ATTACKS AND KIDNAPINGS AGAINST ANY COUNTRY WHICH HELD THEM AND THAT HE WOULD UNDERTAKE REPRISALS. LEGAT ROME SOURCE ALSO ADVISED THAT

[] ADMITTED THAT ABU ABBAS WAS THE COMMANDER OF THE GROUP BUT TO DATE [] HAS NOT PROVIDED AS MUCH INFORMATION AS INDICATED IN THE PRESS ACCOUNTS.

IT IS NOTED THAT [] IS THE ONLY ONE OF THE FOUR TERRORISTS WHO HAS A MUSTACHE AND IS IDENTICAL TO THE TERRORIST WHO WAS DESCRIBED BY CERTAIN PASSENGERS AS THE "GOOD GUY" OR "NICE GUY". REPORTEDLY, THIS IS THE SAME TERRORIST WHO WAS REQUESTED BY MRS. KLINGHOFFER TO CHECK ON HER HUSBAND, AND WHO RETURNED TO HER, KISSED HER ON THE HEAD, GOT HER SOMETHING TO DRINK, AND STATED THAT HER HUSBAND WAS OKAY. FOLLOWING THIS [] REPORTEDLY SAT DOWN AND CRIED FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME.

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FOR THE FURTHER INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, LEGAT ROME WAS CONTACTED BY THE U. S. AMBASSADOR IN ROME THIS DATE TO OBTAIN CONFIRMATION OF INFORMATION IN THE PRESS WHICH IMPLICATED ABU ABBAS IN THE "ACHILLE LAURO" INCIDENT. THE AMBASSADOR WAS CON-

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CERNED THAT THIS INFORMATION MAY NEGATIVELY IMPACT UPON THE VISIT TO THE U. S. BY ITALIAN PRIME MINISTER CRAXI. CRAXI IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN NEW YORK THIS DATE PRIOR TO MEETING WITH PRESIDENT REAGAN. THE AMBASSADOR BELIEVES THAT HARSH QUESTIONING OF CRAXI BY THE U. S. MEDIA RE THIS INCIDENT WILL MAKE U. S. EFFORTS TO SMOOTH OVER DIFFERENCES WITH THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT THAT MUCH MORE DIFFICULT.

LEGAT ROME IS CONTINUING EFFORTS TO OBTAIN INTERVIEW ACCESS TO THE INCARCERATED PALESTINIAN TERRORIST SUBJECTS UNDER ITALIAN CONTROL. AS OF THIS DATE, INTERVIEW APPROVAL HAS BEEN OBTAINED FROM THE ITALIAN MINISTRY OF GRACE AND JUSTICE AS WELL AS THE MAGISTRATES IN GENOA AND SIRAGUSA. LEGAT ROME IS CURRENTLY COORDINATING WITH ITALIAN POLICE COUNTERPARTS REGARDING THE TIME AND PLACE WHERE THESE INTERVIEWS CAN BE CONDUCTED. THIS COORDINATION IS COMPLICATED BY THE PRESS REPORTS, SUPRA, WHICH HAVE HEIGHTENED ITALIAN SECURITY CONCERNS FOR THE PRISONERS AND HAS RESULTED IN THEIR BEING MOVED AROUND FROM FACILITY TO FACILITY. LEGAT FEELS CONFIDENT THAT INTERVIEW ACCESS WILL BE ACHIEVED NO LATER THAN THE EARLY PART OF NEXT WEEK. FBIHQ WILL BE KEPT ADVISED AS TO ANY PROGRESS IN THIS

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WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM WHICH WAS ABOARD THE "ACHILLE LAURO" RETURNED TO ROME AS SCHEDULED TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 22, 1985. THOSE PERSONNEL ARE CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN PROCESSING INTERVIEW AND EVIDENTIARY COLLECTION RESULTS AND WILL DEPART ROME ENROUTE FOR THE U.S. TOMORROW MORNING, OCTOBER 24, 1985. A SUMMARY OF THE PERTINENT RESULTS OF THAT TEAM'S EFFORTS WILL BE SUBMITTED VIA SEPARATE COMMUNICATION THIS DATE. FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THIS TEAM TO THE U.S., THERE WILL REMAIN ONLY THREE AGENTS FROM THE WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM DEPLOYED TO ROME WHO WILL AWAIT ANTICIPATED INTERVIEW ACCESS; THEY ARE:

SA [REDACTED] SA [REDACTED] AND SA [REDACTED].

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FBIHQ REQUESTED TO RETRANSMIT THIS COMMUNICATION TO WFO.

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12	MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING - TERRORISM; 00: WASHINGTON FIELD			
10	THIS COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED SECRET IN ITS ENTIRETY.			
8	MAIN SALON IS THE CODE NAME ASSIGNED TO THE OCTOBER 7,			
6	1985, HIJACKING OF "LE ACHILLE LAURO," AN ITALIAN CRUISE SHIP			
4	SEIZED OFF THE COAST OF EGYPT BY MEMBERS OF THE PALESTINE			
2	LIBERATION FRONT. ON OCTOBER 10, 1985, THE HOSTAGE TAKERS			
	WERE INTERCEPTED BY U.S. MILITARY AIRCRAFT AS THEY ATTEMPTED			
	TO FLEE EGYPT ABOARD AN EGYPTIAN AIRCRAFT. ON OCTOBER 8,			
	1985, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ESTABLISHED FBI JURISDICTION			
	OVER THIS MATTER AND ADVISED THAT PROSECUTION CAN BE SOUGHT IN			
	THE FOLLOWING AREAS: HOSTAGE TAKING, TITLE 18, SECTION 1203;			
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ALL OFFICES ARE TO BE ALERT FOR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING
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GOVERNMENT INTERESTS. REPORT ANY SUCH INFORMATION VIA IMMEDIATE
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Subject:

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~~FROM RSO~~

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~~E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR~~

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~~SUBJECT: ACHILLE LAURO HIJACKING: EYEWITNESS INFO~~

~~BY TELETYPE DATED 10/11/85 AMERICAN EMBASSY CAIRO ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:~~

~~SECRET~~ - ENTIRE TEXT.)

PRELIMINARY INTERVIEWS WITH THE PASSENGERS REVEALED THE FOLLOWING PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE HIJACK SUSPECTS:

-- SUSPECT NUMBER 1: 5'6" - 5'8", SLENDER BUILD, EARLY TO MID-20'S, NO NOTICEABLE FACIAL HAIR. WEARING A WHITE SHIRT WITH BLUE V-NECK VEST. DESCRIBED AS HAVING A "MEAN" PERSONALITY.

-- SUSPECT NUMBER 2: 5'6" - 5'7", SLIGHT BUILD, BABY-FACED, POSSIBLY IN HIS LATE TEENS, NO NOTICEABLE FACIAL HAIR, DESCRIBED AS THE SHORTEST OF THE FOUR. SUSPECT

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NUMBER 2 PLACED A NAPKIN OR HANDERCHIEF ON HIS SHOULDER OR NECK TO PREVENT CHAFING BY HIS WEAPON SLING, AND WORE DARK JACKET AND BLUE JEANS.

-- SUSPECT NUMBER 3: 6' OR OVER, THE TALLEST SUSPECT, SLENDER, GOOD BUILD, EARLY TO MID-20'S, NO NOTICEABLE FACIAL HAIR, STRONG JAW AND POSSIBLE CLEFT CHIN, WEARING GREY SPORT SHIRT, BLUE TROUSERS AND "GUCCI"-TYPE LOAFERS, POSSIBLE NAME OF

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-- SUSPECT NUMBER 4: 5'10" - 6', SLENDER BUILD, EARLY TO MID-20'S, CURLY HAIR, MOUSTACHE, FRIENDLIEST, CALLED BY OTHER SUSPECTS AS AND/OR WORE A DISTINCTIVE TOP WHICH CONSISTED OF 1/3 QUILTED GREY, 1/3 WHITE WITH THE WORD "MAN" PRINTED IN BLACK AND 1/3 BLACK. THE LONG SLEEVES HAD PRINTED WORDS OR DESIGNS. HIS PANTS WERE BELIEVED TO BE GREY.

- ALL OF THE ABOVE SUSPECTS HAD DARK NEATLY TRIMMED HAIR AND MIDDLE-EASTERN COMPLEXIONS.

~~2.~~ THE ABOVE DESCRIPTIONS WERE TAKEN FROM GROUP INTER-
VIEWS OF SOME OF THE PASSENGERS AND INDIVIDUAL INTERVIEWS
OF [REDACTED] THE CONSENSUS WAS
THAT ALL SUSPECTS WERE NEATLY GROOMED, WELL-DRESSED IN
EXPENSIVE CLOTHING AND SPOKE A LIMITED AMOUNT OF ENGLISH.
SOME OF THE PASSENGERS STATED THAT THEY OBSERVED ONE OF
THE SUSPECTS USE A HYPODERMIC NEEDLE.

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~~3.~~ [REDACTED] STATED THAT A BARTENDER, [REDACTED] TOLD HIM
THAT SUSPECT NUMBER 4 COMMITTED THE HOMICIDE.- ALTHOUGH
THE FRIENDLIEST OF THE FOUR, HE TOLD MRS. KLINGHOFFER
THAT HER HUSBAND WAS NOT HURT AND OFTEN SEEMED DISTRAUGHT

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AND CRIED ON ONE OCCASION. [] WAS GIVEN A SPORT
COAT TO WEAR BY SUSPECT 1 OR 2 ALTHOUGH [] NEVER SAY
ANY OF THE SUSPECTS WEARING IT. THE COAT IS A LIGHT-BLUE
PIN STRIPE WITH THE FOLLOWING LABEL:

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REFINITO A MANO

STILE ITALY

[] SAID HIS WIFE WAS ABLE TO PHOTOGRAPH THE
AREA OF THE VESSEL WHERE THE HOMICIDE OCCURRED. []
WAS ADVISED TO RETAIN BOTH THE SPORT-COAT AND CAMERA.

[] WHO PROVIDED MOST OF THE CLOTHING
DESCRIPTIONS, ALSO SURREPTITIOUSLY SKETCHED THE FOUR
SUSPECTS ON A SHIP MENU. SHE WAS ADVISED TO RETAIN
THE MENU.

AMERICAN PASSENGER-HOSAGES IDENTIFYING DATA WILL
FOLLOW ASAP.

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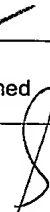
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USE AND PREPARATION OF FORM 0-73

Restrictions on Use

1. Only incoming teletype messages within the categories listed in MIOG Section 16-1.7 pages 1251 & 1252 may be prepared using form 0-73.
2. Use of Form 0-73 is restricted to incoming teletype messages received at FBIHQ Communications Center within the last 72 hours.
3. Addressees must be Bureau Offices (LEGAT/Field) or other Government Agencies. **Geographical location must be indicated if other Government Agency is located outside the Washington, D.C. area.**
4. Editing of message text is restricted to typed or printed changes of a word or two. Changes to the existing text involving more than a word or two will require the originator to initiate a new message using Form 0-93. Administrative data may be added immediately following the text and must be identical for all addressees.
5. Teletype messages received by the Communications Center that do not meet the above criteria shall be returned to the originator for preparation using Form 0-93.

Preparation of 0-73 Form (Yellow)

1. **Date & Precedence** - Type or print date and indicate precedence by checking the appropriate box.
2. **Addressee(s)** - Type or print addressee(s) immediately following the "TO:" or place a check mark in the appropriate box. Note: When using block "Other," indicate geographical location if addressee(s) is located outside Washington, D.C. If addressee(s) is a military installation, the name of the base, fort, or station must be listed to ensure delivery.
3. **Classification** - Type or print the classification and if appropriate the caveat and warning notices.
4. **Addressee Internal Distribution** - Complete when the originator wishes the message to be distributed to a known entity within a Headquarters Agency (i.e. Division, Section, Unit, etc.). List the addressee(s) abbreviation and the internal distribution, i.e. a message to Dept. of State, Dept. of Justice, and Defense Intelligence Agency; list on the "For" line(s) as follows:
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Messages which do not list internal distribution shall be delivered to the agency headquarters where their analyst will effect in-house distribution.
5. **Subject** - Type or print the subject in the space provided or check "see attached" if subject is identical to attached message.
6. **Originator's Boxes** - Type or print the originator's name, telephone extension, room number, and division.
7. **Approved By Box** - Indicate approval for transmission by initialing the approved by box. Note: The person approving the message is solely responsible for assuring all necessary editing changes are accurate and are legible.

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SECTION ONE OF TWO

MAIN SALON; IT-HOSTAGE TAKING; OO: WFO

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF HOSTAGES ON BOARD THE ITALIAN CRUISE

SHIP "LE ACHILLE LAURO" ON OCTOBER 12, 1985.

THIS COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED "~~SECRET~~" IN ITS ENTIRETY.

ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERAGENCY

HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING GROUP INTERVIEWED THE FOLLOWING HOSTAGES

FROM THE ACHILLE LAURO. SUMMARY RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS FOLLOW:

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INTO A SEPARATE ROOM. [REDACTED] AND THE OTHERS LOCKED

THE DOOR, AND THE CAPTAIN OF THE AIRCRAFT INSTRUCTED ALL THE PASSENGERS
TO COME UP TO THE DINING ROOM. [REDACTED] AND THE OTHERS CAME
UP TO THE DINING ROOM AND WERE HERDED TOGETHER BY THE FOUR

HIJACKERS. THE PASSENGERS WERE INSTRUCTED TO KEEP THEIR HEADS
DOWN AND TO REMAIN IN THE REAR OF THIS DINING ROOM. [REDACTED]

BELIEVED THEY REMAINED IN THIS DINING ROOM FOR APPROXIMATELY
AN HOUR TO AN HOUR AND ONE-HALF. AT THIS TIME, THE HIJACKERS
TOOK ALL THE PASSENGERS' PASSPORTS. THE HIJACKERS ALSO THEN
SEGREGATED THE PASSENGERS INTO CATEGORIES OF DIFFERENT

NATIONALITIES AND CREW MEMBERS. SHE REMEMBERED THAT THE U.S.
CITIZENS WERE PLACED NEAREST TO THE DOOR THAT LED TO THE DECK.
AFTER APPROXIMATELY AN HOUR TO AN HOUR AND ONE-HALF, THE
AMERICANS, AS WELL AS THE OTHERS, WERE RUSHED UPSTAIRS TO WHAT
[REDACTED] BELIEVES WAS THE AROZZI LOUNGE.

AFTER BEING SEGREGATED INSIDE THE LOUNGE, THE AMERICAN
PASSENGERS WERE DIRECTED OUTSIDE ONTO A TIN ROOF FACING THE REAR

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... POSSIBLY FROM AUSTRIA, AND TESTIFIED THE GROUP AS BEING
JEWISH, AND THEY ALSO WERE HANDLED ONTO THE INSIDE ROOFTOP WITH
THE ENGLISH AND AMERICANS. ONE OF THE HIJACKERS TOLD THE GROUP
ON THE ROOFTOP THAT THE U.S. AND BRITISH AMBASSADORS WERE
COMING. THE HIJACKERS PLACED TWO BIG DUMPS OF SOME FLAMMABLE
SUBSTANCE SUCH AS OIL AMONGST THE PASSENGERS LOCATED ON THIS
OUTSIDE ROOFTOP. [REDACTED] REMARKED THAT THE HIJACKERS MADE
QUITE A SHOW OF OPENING THE CAPS ON THESE DUMPS AND MAKING IT
CLEAR THAT THEY CONTAINED A FLAMMABLE SUBSTANCE. [REDACTED]
ESTIMATED THAT SHE AND THE OTHER AMERICANS WERE KEPT ON THIS
ROOFTOP FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE HOURS. AT ALL TIMES, SHE
OBSERVED THE HIJACKERS TO BE CARRYING AUTOMATIC SHOULDER
WEAPONS AND HAND GRENADES. WHILE ON THIS ROOFTOP, [REDACTED]
AND THE OTHERS FIRST NOTICED THAT PASSENGER LEON KLINGHOFFER
WAS MISSING. ONE OF THE HIJACKERS, WHO [REDACTED] LATER IDENTIFIES
AS AMAN, INDICATED THAT MR. KLINGHOFFER WAS IN THE HOSPITAL.
[REDACTED] OBSERVED THAT WHEN SHE WAS ON THE ROOFTOP SITE,

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IT WAS [REDACTED] RECOLLECTION THAT THROUGHOUT THE HIJACKING THE SHIP'S CREW KEPT ON WORKING AND PROVIDED NECESSARY
4000 FEET ON THE ROOFTOP SHE HEARD THE GUN SHOTS. SHE
DEFINITELY NOTED THAT THEY WERE NOT AS LOUD AS THE GUN SHOTS
SHE HAD HEARD COMING FROM INSIDE THE LIVER WHEN IT WAS INITIALLY
TAKEN OVER. [REDACTED] SAID THAT AFTER THE GUN SHOTS SHE HEARD
A SPLASH. IT WAS HER FEELING THAT BOTH THE GUN SHOTS AND THE
SPLASH CAME FROM THE SAME DIRECTION. SHE DESCRIBED THIS
DIRECTION AS BEING ON THE STARBOARD SIDE OF THE SHIP, PERHAPS
FURTHER AFT OF HER LOCATION.

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AFTER APPROXIMATELY THREE HOURS ON THIS ROOFTOP, THE
AMERICANS AND THE OTHERS WERE DIRECTED BACK TO THE LOUNGE. WHEN
SHE RETURNED TO THE LOUNGE, SHE NOTICED THAT ALL THE OTHER
PASSENGERS WERE STILL IN GROUPS AS BEFORE. AT THIS TIME, THE
ENGLISH GIRLS WERE DIRECTED TO LOCATE THEMSELVES BY THE DOOR
TO THE DECK.

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IT WAS [REDACTED] RECOLLECTION THAT THROUGHOUT THE
HIJACKING THE SHIP'S CREW KEPT ON WORKING AND PROVIDED NECESSARY

ON THE FIRST NIGHT, SEVERAL [REDACTED] FOR THE REST OF THE HIJACKING. THE HIJACKERS TOLD THE PLAYMATS TO USE FOR SLEEPERS. [REDACTED] OBSERVED THAT SOME PASSENGERS WERE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE LOUNGE IN ORDER TO GO TO THEIR CABINS AND OBTAIN MEDICATION. THESE PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS WERE USUALLY NOT ACCOMPANIED BY A HIJACKER. HOWEVER, EARLY ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE HIJACKING, THE CAPTAIN OF THE SHIP HAD ANNOUNCED THAT THERE WERE BOOBY-TRAPS PLACED THROUGHOUT THE SHIP AND IT WAS NOT ADVISABLE FOR THE PASSENGERS TO ROAM THE LINER. IT WAS ALSO [REDACTED] OBSERVATION THAT THE HIJACKERS NEVER APPEARED TO SLEEP OR EAT.

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ON THE FIRST NIGHT AFTER THE HIJACKING, THE HOSTAGES WERE HERDED UPSTAIRS TO A PLAY ROOM. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED THE ROOM AS A CHILDREN'S ROOM WITH A SLIDE. CREW MEMBERS BROUGHT UP FOOD TO THIS PLAY ROOM AND THE HIJACKERS TOLD THE PASSENGERS

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MAIN SALON; IT-HOSTAGE TAKING; OO: WFO

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF HOSTAGES ON BOARD THE ITALIAN CRUISE
SHIP "LE ACHILLE LAURO" ON OCTOBER 12, 1985.

WAS. HODGES' BEST RECOLLECTION WAS THAT SHE WAS IN THE LOBBY FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR, AND THEN RETURNED TO THE LOBBY WITH THE REST OF THE PASSENGERS.

ON THE LAST DAY OF THE HIJACKING, THE HIJACKERS, WHOM [REDACTED] NOW DESCRIBED AS PLOS, SAID THEY HAD WON THE RELEASE OF 50 OTHER PLOS. [REDACTED] INDICATED THAT THE HIJACKERS DID NOT SPEAK TO THE AMERICAN PASSENGERS TOO MUCH, AND THAT THE ITALIAN AND GERMAN PASSENGERS WENT MORE INFORMATION. SHE ALSO FELT THAT THE CREW MEMBERS AND ORCHESTRA MEMBERS HAD MORE COMMUNICATION WITH THE HIJACKERS. ON THE LAST DAY OF THE HIJACKING, THE HIJACKERS BROUGHT SOME OF THE SHIP CREW MEMBERS UP FROM THE ENGINE ROOM AND SOLICITED APPLAUSE FOR THEM FROM THE PASSENGERS. WHEN IT WAS APPARENT THAT THE HIJACKERS WERE GOING TO LEAVE, MANY OF THE CREW MEMBERS APPEARED VERY FRIENDLY WITH THEM. THE CREW MEMBERS LATER TOLD THE PASSENGERS THAT THEY WERE JUST APPEASING THE HIJACKERS. ON THIS LAST DAY

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ALL THE AMERICAN PASSPORTS WERE KEPT TO LOOK FOR LEO KLINGHOFFER.
MARILYN KLINGHOFFER, WIFE OF LEO KLINGHOFFER, FIRST WENT TO
THE SHIP'S HOSPITAL TO SEARCH FOR HER HUSBAND. [REDACTED] FOLLOWED
HER KLINGHOFFER TO THE HOSPITAL AND OVERHEARD THE DOCTORS
SAYING THAT MRS. KLINGHOFFER SHOULD NOT HAVE COME DOWN THERE
ALONE. [REDACTED] NOTED THAT THE DOCTORS WERE NOT KEPT IN THE
LOUNGE WITH THE REST OF THE PASSENGERS DURING THE HIJACKING.
SHE THEN WENT TO THE CAPTAIN'S DECK AND OBSERVED THAT THE
CAPTAIN TOLD MARILYN KLINGHOFFER THAT HER HUSBAND LEON WAS MISSING.
THE CAPTAIN TOLD [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] WAS THE NEXT PERSON
TO BE KILLED AND THAT HE HAD SAVED HER LIFE. THE CAPTAIN OF
THE SHIP SHOWED [REDACTED] HER PASSPORT WHICH WAS KEPT IN A
STACK OF AMERICAN PASSPORTS. HE ADVISED HER THAT THE PASSPORTS
WERE KEPT IN THE ORDER OF WHO WAS TO DIE FIRST. [REDACTED]
NOTED THAT THIS STACK CONTAINED ALL THE AMERICAN PASSPORTS.

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REQUEST OF THE BOARD

~~TO LEGAT, SOHNA AND LEGAT, LONDON.~~

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ON 03-18-2010MESSAGE RELAY VIA TELETYPE
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Date: 10-12-85

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FM: DIRECTOR, FBI

TO:

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② LEGAT BONN.

☐ White House/WH/☐ Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms/BATF/☐ Central Intelligence Agency/CIA/☐ CIA DCD/DCD/☐ Dept. of Energy HQS/DOEHQ/☐ Dept. of Energy Germantown DIV/DOE/☐ Dept. of Justice/DOJ/☐ Dept. of State/DOS/☐ Dept. of the Army/DA/☐ Dept. of Treasury/DOT/☐ Defense Intelligence Agency/DIA/☐ Director National Security Agency/NSA/☐ Director Naval Investigative Service/DIRNAVINSERV/☐ Drug Enforcement Admin./DEA/☐ FAA Washington HQ/FAA/☐ HQ AFOSI Bolling AFBDC/AFOSI/☐ INSCOM Ft. Meade/INSCOM/☐ Nuclear Regulatory Commission/NRC/☐ U.S. Customs Service/UCS/☐ U.S. Immigration & Naturalization Service/INS/☐ U.S. Secret Service/USSS/☐ Other: _____

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BY TT, DATED 10-12-85, FM: NEWARK

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF [REDACTED] ON OCTOBER 12, 1985.

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ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, FBI AND DIA REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
INTERAGENCY HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING INTERVIEWED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED]

WHO HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM CAPTIVITY FROM THE ACHILLE LAURO. A

SUMMARY OF [REDACTED] INTERVIEW IS AS FOLLOWS:

[REDACTED] STATED THAT SHE HAD WITNESSED THE HIJACKING TAKEOVER
BY FOUR ARAB SPEAKING INDIVIDUALS WHILE IN THE DINING ROOM OF THE

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ARCHILLE LAURO CRUISE SHIP ON OCTOBER 7, 1985. [] OBSERVED THAT THREE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS EACH WERE HOLDING WHAT APPEARED TO HER TO BE A SUB-MACHINE GUN AND THAT EACH HAD HAND GRENADES AND A SMALL FIREARM AROUND THEIR WAIST. ✓

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AS THESE INDIVIDUALS SPOKE MOST OF THE TIME IN ARABIC, SHE COULD NOT STATE THE REASON WHY THE HIJACKING OCCURRED, HOWEVER, DURING THE ENTIRE HOSTAGE ORDEAL UP UNTIL HER RELEASE, SHE STATED THAT SHE AS WELL AS THE OTHER AMERICANS WHO WERE SEGREGATED FROM THE REST OF THE PASSENGERS WERE CONSTANTLY VERBALLY THREATENED AND THAT SHE ONCE WAS PHYSICALLY HIT IN THE BACK OF HER HEAD BY ONE OF THE HIJACKERS WHEN SHE DID NOT MOVE QUICK ENOUGH FOR HIM.

[] STATED THAT SHE DID NOT HERSELF WITNESS THE MURDER OF MR. KLINGHOFFER BUT RECALLED HEARING WHAT SEEMED TO BE A SHOT FOLLOWED BY A SPLASH FROM THE RIGHT REAR OF THE SHIP. SHE ALONG WITH THE OTHER AMERICANS AT THIS TIME WERE FORCED TO SIT ON A METAL ROOF ON THE BOW OF THE SHIP AND IT WAS HERE THAT SHE HEARD THE SHOT AND SPLASH. ACCORDING TO [] MR. KLINGHOFFER WAS THE ONLY AMERICAN WHO WAS NOT TAKEN TO THIS METAL ROOF BECAUSE OF

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HIS BEING IN A WHEELCHAIR AND WAS KEPT ONE DECK BELOW WHERE THEY HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN SEGREGATED FROM THE REST OF THE PASSENGERS.

[] RELATED THAT INITIALLY WHEN THE HIJACKERS CAME FROM THE KITCHEN AREA INTO THE DINING ROOM WHERE [] ALONG WITH HER HUSBAND, [] WERE SEATED THEY HEARD THE SHOTS AND WERE TOLD TO DROP TO THE FLOOR TO WHICH THEY DID UNDER THEIR TABLE. [] ADVISED THAT [] TOLD HER THAT HER HUSBAND IS AN AMERICAN DIPLOMAT ASSIGNED IN VIENNA. SHE OBSERVED [] TAKE HER HUSBAND'S DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT AND SECRET IT UNDER THE LEG OF THE TABLE. [] SAID THAT [] SUBSEQUENTLY HAD MOVED THE PASSPORT TO ANOTHER TABLE AFTER ALL THE PASSENGERS WERE HERDED TOGETHER IN THE DINING ROOM. SHE DID NOT KNOW IF [] EVER RETRIEVED HIS PASSPORT.

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IT IS NOTED THAT THE [] WERE NOT PART OF THIS GROUP INTERVIEWED BUT HAD DISAPPEARED AT FRANKFURT.

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[] STATED THAT NONE OF THE HIJACKERS RELATED TO HER WHO THEY WERE OR WHY THEY WERE DOING THIS BUT WITH THE FEW ENGLISH WORDS THEY USED DURING THEIR THREATS, THEY CONSTANTLY

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EXPLAINED "DOWN WITH REAGAN, DOWN WITH AMERICA AND DOWN WITH ISRAEL".

WHO FURNISHED A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF EACH HIJACKER
SAID SHE WAS SURE SHE WOULD BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE THEM IF SHE SAW
THEM AGAIN.

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A FULL TEXT OF WELTMAN'S INTERVIEW TO FOLLOW IN AN
APPROPRIATE FD-302.

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~~REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:~~

~~THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH THE ABOVE INFORMATION
TO LEGAT, ROME AND LEGAT, BONN.~~

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IN VIEW OF THE HIJACKING OF ITALIAN CRUISE SHIP "LE
ACHILLE LAURO", LEGAL ATTACHE ROME SHOULD CONTACT APPROPRIATE
ITALIAN INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITIES FOR FURTHER PERTINENT DATA
THAT COULD IDENTIFY HIJACKERS IN CAPTIONED CASE

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1. (U) AUSTRALIAN ACTING MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SENATOR GARETH EVANS, ISSUED A STATEMENT OCTOBER 8 DEPLORING SEIZURE OF ACHILLE LAURO BY A GROUP OF "PALESTINIAN TERRORISTS." THE STATEMENT INDICATED THE GOA WAS SEEKING TO DETERMINE WHETHER ANY AUSTRALIANS WERE ON BOARD THE SHIP. IT CONCLUDED BY RECALLING AN OCTOBER 2 GOA STATEMENT CONDEMNING

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ISRAELI ACTIONS IN TUNISIA AND BY REPEATING THE GOA'S FIRM REJECTION OF TERRORISM AS A MEANS TO PURSUE POLITICAL OBJECTIVES.

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(U) ~~(S)~~ PER PARA 7 REFTL, HE GOT IN TOUCH WITH
DFA UN POLITICAL SECTION HEAD GEOFF FORRESTER
OCTOBER 9 WITH REGARD TO NEED FOR MEANINGFUL
ACTION IN NEW YORK. FORRESTER INDICATED THE GOA
MISSION WOULD CERTAINLY BE PREPARED TO WORK
CLOSELY WITH USUN AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES
IN THIS EFFORT. HE ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT HE DID
NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO PUT TOGETHER
A STRONG SECURITY COUNCIL PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT
SINCE IT WOULD INEVITABLY BE WATERED DOWN BY
THE NEED TO REACH A CONSENSUS.

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FOR INFORMATION OF FBIHQ AND WFO, LEGAT ROME TRANSMITTED TO
FBI NEWARK VIA LEGAT BONN AN INDIVIDUAL SET OF COLOR POLOROID
PHOTOS OF SUBJECTS AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE
LINE-UPS IN SICILY AS WELL AS A ROLL OF .35MM FILM WITH PHOTOS
OF THE FOUR LINE-UPS DEPICTING EACH OF THE FOUR LINE-UPS AS IT
WAS ACTUALLY CONSTITUTED. ITALIAN POLICE MADE NO INDEPENDENT
RECORD OF THE COMPOSITION OF EACH OF THE LINE-UPS. THEREFORE,
THE BEST RECORD OF THE COMPOSITION OF EACH OF THE FOUR LINE-UPS
ARE THE .35MM PHOTOS CURRENTLY IN THE POSSESSION OF NEWARK
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LINE-UP NOT A PHOTO LINE-UP.

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REBUTEL DATED OCTOBER 9, 1985.

THROUGH THE NEWS MEDIA IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT A LARGE
NUMBER OF THE PASSENGERS ABOARD THE ACHILLE LAURO ARE FROM
SWITZERLAND AND AUSTRIA. LEGAT, BERN, WILL BE HAPPY TO HAVE
THESE PERSONS INTERVIEWED BY THE AUSTRIAN AND SWISS AUTHORITIES
IF THAT IS DEEMED APPROPRIATE. IF SO, ROME IS REQUESTED TO SEND
LEGAT, BERN, PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE FOUR TERRORISTS VIA DIRECT MAIL.

THE BUREAU AND/OR WFO ARE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE BERN WITH
APPROPRIATE QUESTIONS BY RETURN CABLE.

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USE AND PREPARATION OF FORM 0-73

Restrictions on Use

1. Only incoming teletype messages within the categories listed in MIOG Section 16-1.7 pages 1251 & 1252 may be prepared using form 0-73.
2. Use of Form 0-73 is restricted to incoming teletype messages received at FBIHQ Communications Center within the last 72 hours.
3. Addressees must be Bureau Offices (LEGAT/Field) or other Government Agencies. **Geographical location must be indicated if other Government Agency is located outside the Washington, D.C. area.**
4. Editing of message text is restricted to typed or printed changes of a word or two. Changes to the existing text involving more than a word or two will require the originator to initiate a new message using Form 0-93. Administrative data may be added immediately following the text and must be identical for all addressees.
5. Teletype messages received by the Communications Center that do not meet the above criteria shall be returned to the originator for preparation using Form 0-93.

Preparation of 0-73 Form (Yellow)

1. **Date & Precedence** - Type or print date and indicate precedence by checking the appropriate box.
2. **Addressee(s)** - Type or print addressee(s) immediately following the "TO:" or place a check mark in the appropriate box. Note: When using block "Other," indicate geographical location if addressee(s) is located outside Washington, D.C. If addressee(s) is a military installation, the name of the base, fort, or station must be listed to ensure delivery.
3. **Classification** - Type or print the classification and if appropriate the caveat and warning notices.
4. **Addressee Internal Distribution** - Complete when the originator wishes the message to be distributed to a known entity within a Headquarters Agency (i.e. Division, Section, Unit, etc.). List the addressee(s) abbreviation and the internal distribution, i.e. a message to Dept. of State, Dept. of Justice, and Defense Intelligence Agency; list on the "For" line(s) as follows:
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Messages which do not list internal distribution shall be delivered to the agency headquarters where their analyst will effect in-house distribution.
5. **Subject** - Type or print the subject in the space provided or check "see attached" if subject is identical to attached message.
6. **Originator's Boxes** - Type or print the originator's name, telephone extension, room number, and division.
7. **Approved By Box** - Indicate approval for transmission by initialing the approved by box. Note: The person approving the message is solely responsible for assuring all necessary editing changes are accurate and are legible.

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~~THIS INFORMATION IS CLASSIFIED SECRET~~
 This information is relayed from Legat Rome.
~~RE USCS AMERICAN CONSUL ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT TELEGRAM 01210,~~

~~DATED OCTOBER 21, 1985. TRANSMITTED TO FBIHQ.~~

WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM ABOARD THE "ACHILLE LAURO" WAS IN CONTACT WITH THE AMERICAN CONSULATE IN ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT, AS ARRANGED IN ADVANCE, AND THROUGH THAT CONTACT PROVIDED THE CURRENT STATUS OF THEIR EFFORTS AS SET FORTH VIA RE TELEGRAM.

FOR THE FURTHER INFORMATION OF FBIHQ, THE "ACHILLE LAURO" IS CURRENTLY SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN ASHOD, ISRAEL AT 8:00 A.M. (LOCAL TIME) ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1985. LEGAT ROME HAS ESTABLISHED LIAISON WITH THE RSO IN TEL AVIV WHO WILL ASSIST THE WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM'S DEPARTURE FROM THE SHIP AND TRANSPORTATION TO THE AIRPORT FOR RETURN TO ROME/U.S.

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ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1985, LEGAT ROME WAS REQUESTED TO FLY TO SIRAGUSA, SICILY TO CONFER WITH MAGISTRATES RE "ACHILLE LAURO" INCIDENT. THE SIRAGUSA MAGISTRATES WERE VERY COOPERATIVE AND REQUESTED THAT THE FBI OBTAIN AND PROVIDE TO THEM THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF INFORMATION TO ASSIST IN THEIR PROSECUTIVE EFFORTS:

1. ALL INVESTIGATIVE INFORMATION WHICH LINKS ABU EL ABBAS TO THE HIJACKING OF THE "ACHILLE LAURO", SPECIFICALLY, COPIES OF THE AUDIO TAPE OBTAINED FROM THE ISRAELIS (THIS INFORMATION HAS ALREADY BEEN BROADCAST BY THE MEDIA). THEY WOULD ALSO LIKE ANY PHOTOGRAPHS OF ABBAS WHICH ARE AVAILABLE.

2. COPIES OF ANY PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE SUBJECTS TAKEN BY U.S. PASSENGERS WHO WERE ABOARD THE "ACHILLE LAURO".

IN ADDITION, THE SIRAGUSA MAGISTRATES ADVISED THAT THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HAS NOT MADE ANY REQUEST TO THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT FOR INVESTIGATIVE RESULTS OR EVIDENTIARY ITEMS OBTAINED BY THOSE AUTHORITIES.

AT 8:00 A.M. THIS DATE, OCTOBER 21, 1985, LEGAT ROME RECEIVED AT ROME AIRPORT THE ORIGINAL LETTERS OF ROGATORY TRANSMITTED FROM THE U.S. REQUESTING JUDICIAL ASSISTANCE IN THIS

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MATTER. LEGAT ROME IS HAND DELIVERING THESE DOCUMENTS (WITH COVER DIPLOMATIC LETTER PREPARED BY U.S. EMBASSY, ROME) THIS MORNING TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WILL PROVIDE COPIES TO THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE. ADDITIONAL COPIES WILL BE PROVIDED TO THE SIRAGUSA, AND POSSIBLY GENOA, MAGISTRATES.

LEGAT IS OPTIMISTIC THAT DELIVERY OF THESE DOCUMENTS AND THE PROVIDAL OF THE AUDIO TAPE OBTAINED FROM ISRAELIS WILL LEAD TO FBI INTERVIEW ACCESS WITH THE INCARCERATED SUBJECTS. USDS HAS ADVISED LEGAT ROME THAT THE ITALIANS WILL HAVE TO MAKE A FORMAL REQUEST FOR RECEIPT OF THE AUDIO TAPE BEFORE SAME CAN BE PROVIDED. SUCH A REQUEST CAN BE EASILY FACILITATED VIA INTERPOL TELEX SYSTEM AND SHOULD BE FORTHCOMING. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] LEGAT IS OF OPINION THAT IT MAY BE EASIER TO OBTAIN THIS ITEM DIRECTLY FROM FBIHQ WHICH HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN TELEPHONICALLY REQUESTED TO PROVIDE IT BY LEGAT THROUGH FBIHQ COMMAND CENTER. IF THIS ITEM HAS NOT YET BEEN DISPATCHED TO LEGAT ROME, [REDACTED]

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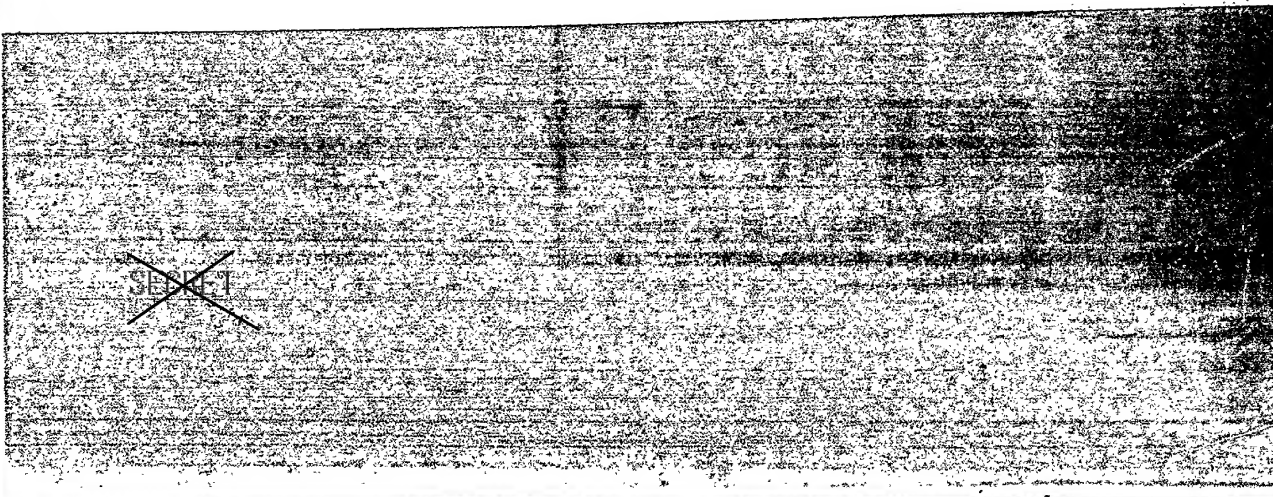
FBIHQ WILL BE KEPT ADVISED AS TO DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS
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(U) ~~(S)~~ THE MAGISTRATES HANDLING THE ACHILLE LAURO CASE
TELL US THEY HAVE MADE NO REQUEST TO EGYPT FOR INFORMA-
TION ON THE HIJACKERS' WEAPONS. THE MFA HIJACKING COOR-
DINATOR, [REDACTED] KNOWS OF NO SUCH REQUEST BUT
WILL GABRIEL 1989 ITALIAN EMBASSY IN CAIRO ON THE SUBJECT
AND ASK THAT EMBASSY TO INFORM EMBASSY CAIRO OF ITS REPLY.

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FBING RETRANSMIT ABOVE TO WFO (WF 256-2).

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RETRONELCALLS TO WFO SEA [REDACTED] ON OCTOBER 27, 1985 AND
OCTOBER 30, 1985; AND TELCALL TO BUREAU TERRORISM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ON OCTOBER 31, 1985.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND WFO, ON MONDAY MORNING
OCTOBER 28, 1985, THE REMAINING THREE MEMBERS OF THE WFO INVESTI-
GATIVE TEAM, ALONG WITH LEGAT [REDACTED] TRAVELED TO SPOLITTO,
ITALY, TO CONDUCT PRE-ARRANGED INTERVIEWS WITH TWO OF THE FOUR
INCARCERATED HIJACKERS OF THE "ACHILLE LAURO". THESE TWO HIJACKERS
WERE IDENTIFIED AS BEING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. FOLLOWING LENGTHY JUDICIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS NOV 7 1985
MENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITALIAN LAW, PERMISSION WAS OBTAINED
EARLY THAT EVENING FOR INTERVIEW ACCESS TO THE SUBJECTS. IMMEDI-

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Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
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ATTEMPTLY PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF THE INTERVIEW, ITALIAN JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES IN SPOLETO WERE CONTACTED BY THE PROSECUTING MAGISTRATE FROM GENOA, ITALY, WHO REQUESTED THESE INTERVIEWS BE POSTPONED. HE ARGUED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED MESSAGES FROM THESE TWO SUBJECTS INDICATING THAT THEY WERE WILLING TO TALK WITH HIM, THEY HAVING PREVIOUSLY REFUSED TO COOPERATE. HE REQUESTED THAT THE FBI LET HIM HAVE FIRST INTERVIEW ACCESS TO THESE SUBJECTS AND IN RETURN HE WOULD ALLOW INTERVIEW ACCESS TO ONE OF THE SUBJECTS WHO WAS INCARCERATED IN TURIN, ITALY, WHO WAS BEING COOPERATIVE WITH AUTHORITIES. HE FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE FBI COULD THEN INTERVIEW THE FOURTH HIJACKER WHO WAS IN GENOA, AND WHO WAS VERY COOPERATIVE, BEFORE RETURNING TO SPOLETO ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1985 TO COMPLETE THE INTERVIEW OF THESE TWO SUBJECTS. HE ADVISED THIS WOULD ALLOW HIM TIME TO COMPLETE HIS INTERVIEWS AND WOULD FACILITATE THE FBI'S INVESTIGATIVE NEEDS OF INTERVIEWING ALL FOUR SUBJECTS. HE ALSO PROMISED THAT THE SPOLETO SUBJECTS (2) WOULD NOT BE MOVED UNTIL THE FBI COMPLETED ITS INTERVIEWS. PRESENTED WITH THIS PROJECTED SCHEDULE OF INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY AND REALIZING THE TOTAL DEPENDENCY UPON ITALIAN COOPERATION, THIS POSTPONEMENT WAS AGREED TO.

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ON TUESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 29, 1985, PER [] THE
WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM ALONG WITH LEGAT [] TO TURIN,
ITALY, TO CONDUCT AN INTERVIEW WITH SUBJECT []

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[] THIS INTERVIEW HAD BEEN PRE-ARRANGED TELEPHONICALLY WITH
JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES AND SCHEDULED FOR 1:00 P.M. UPON ARRIVAL
AT TURIN, ITALY, AND APPEARANCE BEFORE JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES IT
WAS LEARNED THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, WHOSE
SIGNATURE WAS REQUIRED ON A DOCUMENT AUTHORIZING INTERVIEW, HAD
TAKEN THE AFTERNOON OFF AND INTERVIEW ACCESS WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE
UNTIL THE FOLLOWING DAY. ALL EFFORTS WERE UNDERTAKEN TO OVERCOME
THIS TYPICAL ITALIAN JUDICIAL INEFFICIENCY TO NO AVAIL.

THE FOLLOWING DAY, OCTOBER 30, 1985, INTERVIEW ACCESS WAS
FINALLY PAINSTAKINGLY FACILITATED AND A SUCCESSFUL SIX-HOUR INTER-
VIEW WITH [] WAS CONDUCTED. [] ADVISED THAT HIS REAL NAME
WAS [] THAT HE WAS THE LEADER OF THE FOUR-
MAN TERRORIST TEAM WHICH HIJACKED THE "ACHILLE LAURO". []
PROVIDED COMPLETE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PLANNING OF THE
OPERATION, IDENTIFIED INDIVIDUALS WHO SUPPORTED THE OPERATION,
DISCUSSED THE ACTIVITIES OF HE AND HIS THREE COMRADES PRIOR TO
THE HIJACKING, AND GAVE A RUNNING ACCOUNT OF HIS GROUP'S ACTIONS

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ON THE SHIP. OF SPECIAL INTEREST IS THAT KULGI TOTALLY IMPLICATED PALESTINE LIBERATION FRONT (PLF) LEADER ABU ABBAS AS BEING KNOWLEDGEABLE AND ACTIVELY SUPPORTIVE OF THE OPERATION AS EARLY AS EIGHT MONTHS PRIOR TO ITS INCEPTION. [] ADVISED THAT ABU ABBAS WAS KEPT INFORMED OF THE GROUP'S ACTIVITIES AND PROVIDED THEM WITH FINANCIAL SUPPORT DURING THEIR STAY IN ITALY BEFORE BOARDING THE SHIP. [] ADVISED THAT THE PORT OF ASHDOD, ISRAEL, WAS THE GROUP'S TARGET AND THAT THEY HIJACKED THE SHIP ONLY AFTER BEING SURPRISED IN THEIR CABIN BY A CREW MEMBER. THIS STORY IS NOT SUPPORTED BY INVESTIGATIVE DATA OBTAINED BY ITALIAN AUTHORITIES OR BY WFO TEAM WHICH BOARDED THE "ACHILLE LAURO". [] ALSO DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THE KILLING OF LEON KLINGHOFFER IN ALL RESPECTS. IT IS THE OPINION OF WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM PERSONNEL THAT [] HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED BY ABU ABBAS, ABOARD THE INTERCEPTED EGYPTIAN AIRCRAFT, TO TELL AUTHORITIES THAT ASHDOD, ISRAEL, WAS THE GROUP'S TARGET AND THAT THEY DID NOT KILL KLINGHOFFER. THE FULL DETAILS OF THE INTERVIEW OF [] WILL BE EXPEDITIOUSLY DISSEMINATED TO THE BUREAU UPON WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM'S RETURN TO THE U.S.

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DURING THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 30, 1985 WFO INVESTIGATIVE

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TEAM AND LEGAT [] TRAVLED TO GENOA, ITALY, VIA TRAIN AND
LODGED FOR THE EVENING IN PREPARATION FOR INTERVIEW OF SUBJECT
[] INCARCERATED AT THAT CITY. FOLLOWING THE
ROUTINE BUREAUCRATIC JUDICIAL PROCEDURES REQUIRED, INTERVIEW
ACCESS WITH THE SUBJECT WAS OBTAINED THE NEXT DAY, ON THURSDAY
AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 31, 1935. THE SUBJECT WAS IDENTIFIED BY
ITALIAN AUTHORITIES AS []. UPON COMMENCE-
MENT OF QUESTIONING [] UNEXPECTEDLY ASSUMED A COMPLETELY
UNCOOPERATIVE POSTURE. ITALIAN AUTHORITIES HAD PREVIOUSLY
DESCRIBED [] AS THE MOST COOPERATIVE OF THE SUBJECTS AND
AS HAVING PROVIDED THEM WITH VALUABLE INFORMATION AND HE WOULD
BE HELPFUL TO THE FBI. UPON INTERVIEW, HOWEVER, [] WOULD
NOT PROVIDE HIS TRUE NAME AND REFUSED TO PROVIDE THE FBI WITH
ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING HIS GROUP'S OPERATIONS IN ITALY OR
ABOARD THE SHIP. REPEATED EFFORTS WERE MADE TO OBTAIN INFORMA-
TION FROM THIS SUBJECT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. [] ASSERTED
THAT HE HAD PROMISED NEVER TO BETRAY THE PALESTINIAN CAUSE AND
THEREFORE HE COULD NOT PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUESTED.
[] REPEATEDLY RECITED HIS COMMITMENT TO THE PALESTINIAN
CAUSE IN HIS REFUSAL TO COOPERATE. [] SPECIFICALLY DENIED

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ANY KNOWLEDGE OF EVENTS SURROUNDING THE KILLING OF LEO KLIN-
GHEFF. AFTER TWO HOURS OF ATTEMPTING TO SOLICIT INFORMATION
FROM [REDACTED] INTERVIEW EFFORTS WERE DISCONTINUED. IT SHOULD
BE NOTED THAT FBI PERSONNEL ON SCENE WERE OF THE OPINION THAT
[REDACTED] FAILURE TO BE COOPERATIVE WAS SUSPICIOUS AND MAY
HAVE BEEN PROMPTED BY COACHING FROM GENOA MAGISTRATES.

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IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT EARLIER THAT DAY INFORMATION
HAD BEEN RECEIVED THAT THE TWO SUBJECTS INCARCERATED IN SPOLETO
HAD BEEN TRANSFERRED TO AN UNDISCLOSED LOCATION, CONTRARY TO
PREVIOUS ASSURANCES FROM GENOA MAGISTRATES THAT THEY WOULD REMAIN
IN SPOLETO AND BE AVAILABLE FOR FBI INTERVIEW ON OCTOBER 31 OR
NOVEMBER 1, 1975. DISCUSSIONS WITH GENOA MAGISTRATE REVEALED THAT
THE SUBJECTS HAD BEEN MOVED TO GENOA BUT THAT HE HAD NOT YET
INTERVIEWED THEM AND STRONGLY URGED THAT FBI INTERVIEW OF THESE
SUBJECTS BE HELD IN ABEYANCE FOR AT LEAST A WEEK. HE MADE THIS
REQUEST TO FACILITATE HIS DEBRIEFING OF THESE SUBJECTS AND
REITERATED THAT THE SUBJECTS WERE DEATHLY AFRAID OF THE FBI AND
THAT INTERVIEWS AT THIS TIME WOULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE IN HIS
EFFORTS TO GAIN THEIR CONFIDENCE AND ULTIMATE COOPERATION WHICH
WOULD BENEFIT BOTH ITALIAN AND U.S. INTERESTS.

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BASED UPON THE ABOVE INFORMATION IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE REMAINING THREE MEMBERS OF THE WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM RETURN TO THE U.S., ALLOWING ITALIAN MAGISTRATES TIME TO FULLY DEBRIEF SUBJECTS PRIOR TO REINITIATION OF FBI EFFORTS TO GAIN DIRECT ACCESS TO THE SUBJECTS. THIS PROCESS MAY TAKE SEVERAL WEEKS BUT MAY ALLOW ITALIAN AUTHORITIES TIME TO ACHIEVE THEIR INVESTIGATIVE NEEDS. IT IS HOPED THIS PERIOD WILL PRODUCE A MORE FORTHCOMING AND COOPERATIVE POSTURE ON THE PART OF ITALIAN AUTHORITIES. THE ABOVE RECOMMENDATION BY LEGAT WAS DISCUSSED WITH BUREAU TERRORISM [REDACTED] VIA REFERENCED TELEPHONE CALL, WHO APPROVED THE RETURN OF WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM TO THE U.S. SA'S [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WILL THEREFORE DEPART ROME ON THE MORNING OF NOVEMBER 1, 1985 VIA TWA AIRLINES.

IN ADDITION TO THE INFORMATION SET FORTH ABOVE, ITALIAN AUTHORITIES WERE QUERIED TO OBTAIN A LISTING OF ALL ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS, BEYOND THE FOUR HIJACKERS OF THE "ACHILLE LAURO", WHICH THEY HAVE INCARCERATED IN THIS MATTER. IN ADDITION TO THE FOUR, THE ITALIANS HAVE INCARCERATED [REDACTED] WHO, Palestine INVESTIGATION HAS SHOWN, WAS A GUIDE THROUGHOUT ITALY TO THE Spain Israel

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FOUR HIJACKERS PRIOR TO THEIR BOARDING THE SHIP. [] REPORT-
EDLY OBTAINED THE PASSPORTS USED BY THE FOUR HIJACKERS. []
IS A PALESTINIAN WITH BLOND HAIR WHO WAS PREVIOUSLY INCARCERATED
IN SPAIN FOR ONE YEAR AND PREVIOUSLY HELD IN AN ISRAELI CONCENTRATION
CAMP LOCATED NEAR THE LEBANESE BORDER.

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THE ITALIANS HAVE ALSO INCARCERATED [] ITALY
SKETCHY INFORMATION INDICATES THAT [] WAS AMONG THREE Palestine
PALESTINIANS WHO TRAVELED TO GENOA ABOARD A SHIP FROM TUNISIA
ALONG WITH AN AUTOMOBILE IN WHICH THE WEAPONS USED IN THE HI-
JACKING WERE SECRETED. THE WEAPONS, FOUR KALASHNIKOV RIFLES AND
FIGHT HAND GRENADES, WERE HIDDEN WITHIN A SECRET COMPARTMENT
OVER THE GAS TANK OF THE AUTOMOBILE. UPON ARRIVAL IN GENOA TWO
OF THE THREE DISEMBARKED WITH THE AUTOMOBILE FOR THE SHIP.

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[] REMAINED ON THE SHIP AND WAS SOMEHOW CHECKED BY AUTHOR-
ITIES, WHO FOUND HIS PASSPORT WAS FRAUDULENT AND THEREFORE
ARRESTED HIM.

IN ADDITION TO THOSE SIX INCARCERATED, WHICH INCLUDES THE
FOUR HIJACKERS, ITALIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE OUTSTANDING ARREST
WARRANTS FOR [] ITALY (LNU), WHO REPORTEDLY WAS TO HAVE BEEN THE
FIFTH MEMBER OF THE HIJACKING TEAM. [] IS SAID TO HAVE GOTTEN

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[] AT THE LAST MINUTE BEFORE BOARDING THE "ACHILLE LAURO" AND DID NOT GO ALONE ON THE MISSION. AN ARREST WARRANT IS ALSO OUTSTANDING FOR A [] AKA [] A PALESTINIAN NATIONAL WHO WAS ON THE "ACHILLE LAURO" AND DISEMBARKED IN ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT, PRIOR TO THE HIJACKING. FLORES REPORTEDLY HAD MADE PREVIOUS TRIPS ON THE "ACHILLE LAURO" TO SCOUT OUT THE TARGET. [] MET WITH THE HIJACKERS ON THE SHIP TO ADVISE THEM ABOUT THEIR OPERATION. FBI INTERVIEW OF SUBJECT [] CONFIRMED SUCH ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN BY AN INDIVIDUAL HE IDENTIFIED AS [] []. ITALIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE ADVISED THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE IDENTICAL.

LASTLY, ITALIANS HAVE ISSUED AN ARREST WARRANT FOR AN INDIVIDUAL []. GENOA MAGISTRATE WAS UNABLE TO RECALL FURTHER INFORMATION RE [] WHEN [], BUT IT IS BELIEVED THIS INDIVIDUAL IS IDENTICAL TO A [] OF THE PLF. ACCORDING TO SUBJECT [] IS AN ASSISTANT TO PLF LEADER ABU ABBAS AND WAS THE KEY PLANNER AND ORGANIZER OF THE OPERATION.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE ABOVE-NAMED INDIVIDUALS, IN ADDITION TO THE FOUR HIJACKERS, CONSTITUTE THE TOTAL LIST OF INDIVIDUALS INCARCERATED OR FOR WHOM ARREST WARRANTS HAVE BEEN ISSUED BY THE

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ITALIANS IN THIS MATTER. THE GENOA MAGISTRATE ALSO STATED THAT INFORMATION HE HAS DEVELOPED INDICATES THAT AS MANY AS 12 INDIVIDUALS MAY HAVE MET TOGETHER JUST PRIOR TO THE COMMANDO TEAM'S BOARDING OF THE SHIP. THE IDENTITIES OF THESE ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS HAVE NOT YET BEEN DEVELOPED. IT CAN BE ASSUMED THAT ADDITIONAL ARREST WARRANTS MAY BE ISSUED BY ITALIAN AUTHORITIES IN THE FUTURE. LEGAT WILL PURSUE THIS MATTER AND ADVISE OF DEVELOPMENTS.

WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM WISHES TO MAKE NOTE OF THE COMPLETE SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO THE TEAM BY THE ENTIRE STAFF OF THE LEGAT'S OFFICE IN ROME. SPECIAL CREDIT SHOULD BE GIVEN TO LEGAT [REDACTED] WHOSE TIRELESS EFFORTS FACILITATED THE TEAM'S WORK AND WITHOUT WHO'S ASSISTANCE, ADVISE AND COUNSEL THE FBI'S INVESTIGATIVE NEEDS IN THIS MATTER COULD NOT HAVE BEEN OBTAINED.

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THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO RETRANSMIT THIS COMMUNICATION TO WFO AND ALEXANDRIA.

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8	MAIN SALON IS OUR CODE NAME FOR THE SEIZURE OF THE ITALIAN CRUISE SHIP LE ACHILLE LAURO.			
6	IN ANTICIPATION OF INVESTIGATION WHICH THE FBI MUST CONDUCT CONCERNING THE VIOLATIONS OF UNITED STATES FEDERAL LAWS AS EXPLAINED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE, LEGAL ATTACHE ROME IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE OFFICE OF THE CRUISE LINE TO DETERMINE WHETHER FBI INVESTIGATIONS WILL BE GIVEN ACCESS TO MEMBERS OF THE LE ACHILLE LAURO CREW WHO MAY BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THE HIJACKERS IN ANY WAY. LEGAL			
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ATTACHE SHOULD ALSO DETERMINE IF FBI LABORATORY PERSONNEL WILL
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ATTACHE SHOULD DETERMINE WHETHER THE ITALIANS WOULD PREFER A
JOINT INVESTIGATION, OR EXACTLY WHAT ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE TO
SATISFY FBI INVESTIGATIVE NEEDS. LEGAL ATTACHE SHOULD DETERMINE
WHETHER VIOLATIONS OF ITALIAN LAW MAY NEED TO BE ADDRESSED.

LEGAL ATTACHE SHOULD BEAR IN MIND THAT THERE HAVE BEEN
UNCONFIRMED REPORTS OF AMERICANS KILLED ABOARD THE VESSEL. IN
EVENT THAT THIS IS TRUE, LEGAL ATTACHE SHOULD ASSURE, AS FAR AS
IS POSSIBLE, THAT AUTOPSIES ARE CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE
OF THE DEATH, AND THAT ANY EVIDENCE IS MAINTAINED IN PROPER
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LEGAL ATTACHE IS REQUESTED TO DETERMINE FROM THE UNITED
STATES AMBASSADOR TO ITALY, THE IDENTITIES AND ADDRESSES OF THE
HOSTAGES. THE HOSTAGES' ITINERARY SHOULD BE DETERMINED AND
REPORTED TO FBI HEADQUARTERS ON AN IMMEDIATE BASIS, IN
PARTICULAR, THE ANTICIPATED LOCATION WHERE THE HOSTAGES WILL
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IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT INTERPRETERS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR
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CRIME SCENE SEARCH IN ITALY, IF THIS BECOMES NECESSARY. ~~TS~~

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INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF [REDACTED] ON OCTOBER 12, 1985.

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ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, FBI AND DIA REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
INTERAGENCY HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING GROUP (IHG) INTERVIEWED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], A U.S. CITIZEN, WHO HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM CAPTIVITY
FROM THE ACHILLE LAURO. SUMMARY RESULTS OF INTERVIEW AS FOLLOWS:

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ON OCTOBER 7, 1985, [] STATED THE ACHILLE LAURO DEPARTED THE SEAPORT OF ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT. AFTER DEPARTURE, FOUR FAIRLY YOUNG ARAB LOOKING MALES, PREVIOUSLY POSING AS PASSENGERS SEIZED THE SHIP. ALL INDIVIDUALS WERE ARMED WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, HAND GRENADES, PISTOLS AND WALKIE-TALKIES. DURING THE SEIZURES, ONE OF THEM YELLED, "REAGAN NO GOOD AMERICA NO GOOD". ALL PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS WERE HERDED INTO THE DINING AREA OF THE SHIP. EACH PASSENGER DISPLAYED THEIR PASSPORTS TO THE TERRORISTS. THOSE WITH AMERICAN AND BRITISH PASSPORTS WERE SEGREGATED FROM THE REST OF THE PASSENGERS.

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ACCORDING TO [], THE REASON THE SHIP WAS SEIZED BY THE HIJACKERS, WAS TO GAIN THE RELEASE OF 50 PALESTINIANS IMPRISONED IN A COUNTRY, UNKNOWN TO HER. THE TERRORISTS THREATENED TO KILL THE AMERICANS AND BRITISH ONE BY ONE, IF THEIR COMRADES WERE NOT RELEASED.

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[] STATED DURING THEIR CAPTIVITY, ALL HOSTAGES WERE CONTAINED IN THE LOUNGE AREA OF THE SHIP, WHERE THEY ATE, SLEPT, AND UTILIZED TOILET FACILITIES. SHE ADVISED AT NO TIME DID SHE OBSERVE ANY HIJACKERS SLEEPING OR EATING. BASED ON CONVERSATIONS WITH OTHERS AND HER OWN OBSERVATIONS, SHE BELIEVED THE HIJACKERS MAY

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HAVE BEEN USING NARCOTICS.

[] STATED SHE DID NOT WITNESS THE MURDER OF LEON KLINGHOFFER, NOR REALIZE HE WAS MURDERED UNTIL THE HIJACKERS SURRENDERED. SHE HEARD FROM THE CAPTAIN AND AN OFFICER OF THE SHIP THAT KLINGHOFFER WAS MURDERED BECAUSE OF AN ARGUMENT WITH ONE OF THE HIJACKERS. APPARENTLY ONE OF THE HIJACKERS SLAPPED KLINGHOFFER, WHO IN TURN BIT THIS INDIVIDUAL. THIS PERSON BECAME HIGHLY INCENSED AND DECIDED TO SHOOT KLINGHOFFER.

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IN CONCLUSION, [] STATED ON THE DECK THE HOSTAGES WERE HELD, SHE OBSERVED TWO 25-GALLON DRUMS BELIEVED TO CONTAIN DIESEL FUEL. THESE DRUMS WERE SITUATED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE DECK. SHE EMPHASIZED AT NO TIME DID ANY AMERICANS PLEAD WITH THE HIJACKERS FOR MERCY. ALTHOUGH SHE WAS UNABLE TO STATE WITH ANY CERTAINTY, [] DID NOT BELIEVE ANY CREW MEMBERS OR PASSENGERS VOLUNTARILY CONSPIRED WITH THE HIJACKERS.

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IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT [] WAS VERY COOPERATIVE AND ARTICULATE DURING THE INTERVIEW. BECAUSE OF TIME CONSTRAINTS AND HER PHYSICAL WELL BEING, SAID INTERVIEW WAS TERMINATED.

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IT IS THE OPINION OF THE INTERVIEWERS THAT [] WAS AN

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EXCELLENT RECOLLECTION RE THE EVENTS OF THE HIJACKING. INASMUCH
AS [REDACTED] RESIDES AT [REDACTED]

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UPON RECEIPT OF FD-302 CONDUCTED IN NEWARK, THE MIAMI DIVISION
WILL CONTINUE THE INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] AT THE AFOREMENTIONED
ADDRESS. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT [REDACTED] WILL DEPART THE NEW YORK
CITY AREA ON OR ABOUT OCTOBER 13, 1985.

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NEWARK AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY:

WILL FURNISH FD-302S RE [REDACTED] TO BUREAU, WFO AND APPROPRIATE
FIELD OFFICES.

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MURACKI ON OCTOBER 12, 1985.

BY TT DATED 10/13/85, FROM: NEWARK
INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF STANLEY

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ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INTERAGENCY

HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING GROUP INTERVIEWED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO HAD BEEN RELEASED

FROM CAPTIVITY FROM THE ACHILLE LAURO. SUMMARY RESULTS OF
INTERVIEW AS FOLLOWS:

[REDACTED] FIRST BECAME AWARE OF THE HIJACKING WHEN TWO GUNMEN

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ENTERED MAIN DININGROOM DURING LUNCH ABOUT 1:20 P.M. LOCAL TIME. GUNSHOTS WERE HEARD BEFORE ENTRANCE AND ROOM WAS SPRAYED WITH GUNFIRE OVER THE HEADS OF THE DINERS. ONE GUNMAN GUARDED DINERS WHO WERE ORDERED TO FLOOR WHILE THE OTHER DEPARTED. THREE MORE GUNMAN APPEARED IN THE DININGROOM, ESCORTING THE ENTIRE CREW AND REMAINDER OF PASSENGERS ON BOARD. NO MORE THAN FOUR GUNMAN WERE OBSERVED. ALL WERE EQUIPPED IN SIMILAR FASHION. ALL HAD RIFLES DESCRIBED AS HAVING FRAME STOCKS, LONG CURVED MAGAZINES, AND RELATIVELY SHORT BARRELS. RIFLES WERE WORN WITH SLINGS AND APPEARED TO BE FULLY AUTOMATIC. NO HANDGUNS OBSERVED. EACH GUNMAN HAD AT LEAST TWO HAND GRENADES ON BELT. GRENADES DESCRIBED APPROXIMATELY THE SIZE OF A LARGE LEMON, SILVERY IN COLOR. EACH GUNMAN HAD MODERN LOOKING POLICE TYPE WALKIE TALKIE WITH SHORT WHIP ANTENNA. MANUFACTURE NAME NOT OBSERVED.

NO MILITARY ATTIRE OBSERVED. ALL GUNMEN DRESSED CASUALLY AND LOOKED LIKE OTHER PASSENGERS. GUNMEN WORE BLUE JEANS OR WESTERN STYLE CASUAL PANTS AND ATHLETIC TYPE SHOES.

ALL PASSENGERS AND CREW TAKEN FROM DININGROOM TO LARGE LOUNGE ON PROMENADE DECK, AND WITH TWO EXCEPTIONS, REMAINED THERE

THROUGHOUT OPDEAL. AMERICAN AND BRITISH PASSENGERS SEGREGATED BY REFERENCE TO PASSPORTS. NO ATTEMPT TO LOCATE JEWISH PASSENGERS NOTED.

SUBJECTS SPOKE MINIMAL ENGLISH AND ITALIAN. NATIVE LANGUAGE WAS OBVIOUSLY ARABIC. ONLY COMMUNICATION WITH VICTIMS WAS IN FORM OF TERSE ORDERS AND CRUDE ANTI-AMERICAN AND PRO-ARAFAT PROPAGANDA. PASSENGERS REPEATEDLY THREATENED BY THE BRANDISHING OF RIFLES AND HAND GRENADES. CONTAINERS OF FLAMABLE LIQUID PLACED AT STRATEGIC LOCATIONS IN LOUNGE WHERE PASSENGERS AND CREW WERE HELD.

ON TUESDAY, APPROXIMATELY 11:00 A.M., AMERICAN AND BRITISH VICTIMS TAKEN FROM LOUNGE TO A SMALL DECK BELOW AND FORWARD OF BRIDGE, NOT NORMALLY ACCESSIBLE BY PASSENGERS. DURING THIS TIME, [] OBSERVED COASTLINE OF WHAT HE BELIEVED WAS SYRIA IN THE DISTANCE. PASSENGERS SPREAD AROUND THIS SMALL DECK AND FLAMABLE LIQUID PLACED IN STRATEGIC LOCATIONS. PASSENGERS GUARDED FROM ABOVE BY TWO GUNMEN. AFTER FOUR TO FIVE HOURS IN THIS LOCATION, A BRIEF PERIOD OF JUBILATION AMONG SUBJECTS WERE OBSERVED AND PASSENGERS WERE RETURNED TO THE LOUNGE.

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[] BELIEVES PASSENGER LEON KLINGHOFFER WAS KILLED DURING THE TIME THAT GROUP WAS ON THIS SMALL DECK.

AFTER A SHORT PERIOD BACK IN THE MAIN LOUNGE, AMERICAN PASSENGERS WERE AGAIN REMOVED, THIS TIME TO A CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA, WHERE THEY WERE KEPT UNGUARDED BEHIND A CLOSED DOOR FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS.

[] SAID GUNMEN APPEARED ORGANIZED AND KNEW WHERE TO FIND SHIP'S WEAPONS WHICH WERE DISMANTLED AND PLACED IN MIDDLE OF LOUNGE FLOOR EARLY ON IN THE HIJACKING. ITALIAN CREW APPEARED COOPERATIVE BUT GAVE NO INDICATION OF BEING INVOLVED IN THE CONSPIRACY OF THE HIJACKING. HIJACKERS DID NOT APPEAR OVERLY CONCERNED ABOUT PROSPECTS OF A RESCUE ATTEMPT AND NO DEFENSIVE ACTION OR PLANNING ON THEIR PART WAS OBSERVED.

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DURING BULK OF THEIR STAY IN THE MAIN LOUNGE, AMERICAN VICTIMS WERE ALWAYS GUARDED BY AT LEAST ONE GUNMAN, SOMETIMES TWO OR THREE AT A TIME. FOR THE MOST PART, IT APPEARED AS IF GUARD DUTY WAS PERFORMED IN SHIFTS. FOUR GUNMEN WERE NOT OBSERVED AT ONE TIME UNTIL SHORTLY BEFORE THEIR DEPARTURE FROM THE SHIP.

GUNMEN REVEALED NOTHING PERSONAL ABOUT THEMSELVES.

ASTONAL REFERENCES TO RECENT ISRAELI RAID ON TUNIS WERE CAUTELY
WEYED TO PASSENGERS. TRANSLATIONS SUPPLIED BY SOME CREW
PERS INDICATED FREQUENT USAGE OF THE WORD "HOMELAND".

[] SAID GUNMEN SUDDENLY DISAPPEARED LATE ON WEDNESDAY
AFTERNOON AND FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT TO THAT EFFECT ON SHIP'S PA

[] HE IMMEDIATELY PROCEEDED TO AREA WHERE HE THOUGHT SHOOTING
AND OCCURRED. THERE HE OBSERVED EVIDENCE OF THE SHOOTING INCLUDING
BLOOD STAINS ON A PROTRUSION BELOW THE LEVEL OF THE DECK.

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USE AND PREPARATION OF FORM 0-73

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MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING-TERRORISM; OO: WFO

THIS TELETYPE IS CLASSIFIED "~~SECRET~~" IN ITS ENTIRETY.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE RECIPIENTS, ON OCTOBER 12, 1985,
FBI AND DIA REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERAGENCY HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING
TEAM INTERVIEWED FORMER HOSTAGES FROM THE ACHILLE LAURO AT NEWARK,
NJ. THE FOLLOWING IS INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION GLEANED FROM THOSE
INTERVIEWS.

[REDACTED]

ADVISED THAT THERE WERE THREE OR FOUR YOUNG MEN THAT WERE
CARRYING WEAPONS THAT APPEARED TO BE APPROXIMATELY ONE YARD

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THE LEADER IS BELIEVED TO BE NAME REDACTED AND WAS OVER SIX FEET. THE TERRORISTS SEPARATED GROUPS ACCORDING TO THEIR PASSPORTS SPECIFICALLY AMERICAN, ENGLISH, SPANISH, ITALIAN AND FRENCH. THE TERRORISTS FREQUENTLY SHOUTED "REAGAN NO GOOD, ARAFAT GOOD". THE FRENCH AND ITALIANS WERE NOT BOTHERED BY THE TERRORISTS.

[REDACTED]

SOME TIME AFTER 1:00 P.M., AS THEY WERE READY TO ORDER DESSERT, WAS STARTLED BY THE SOUND OF THREE GUN SHOTS. IT OCCURRED TO HER THAT THE SOUNDS CAME FROM THE MOVIE SCENE BEING FILMED ON THE DOCK BY THE SHIP. SHE THEN NOTICED THAT PASSENGERS AND CREW WERE RUNNING FROM THE ENTRANCE OF THE DINING HALL TOWARD THE REAR. SHE HEARD PASSENGERS YELLING, "GET DOWN, GET DOWN" AND SAW PASSENGERS DUCKING UNDER TABLES. SHE THEN SAW TWO

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... DESCRIBED HIM AS COMING IN A LITTLE BOAT (40-50 YEARS OF
AGE). THE WOMEN STAYED IN THE DINING ROOM AND SHE AND HER
FRIEND LEFT THE DINING ROOM.

THE THREE CREWMEN AND SHE EXITED THE RESTAURANT, RAN DOWN
THE STAIRS TO "B" DECK, TOWARD THE BOW, PASSED THE SHIP'S GALLEY
TO THE CREW'S QUARTERS. SHE REMAINED IN THE CREW MEN'S QUARTERS
UNTIL ALL OF THE AMERICANS WERE ROUNDED UP AND TAKEN TO THE
HELICOPTER PAD ON THE LIDO DECK AT THE STERN OF THE SHIP. ONCE
ON THE HELICOPTER PAD THE HOSTAGES WERE ORDERED ONE AT A TIME
TO TAKE POSITION ON THE EDGE OF THE SHIP AND SIT DOWN FACING
THE SEA, WHERE THEY REMAINED FOR THREE AND A HALF HOURS.

[REDACTED] STATED THAT NONE OF THE OTHER PASSENGERS IN HER
GROUP UNDERSTOOD THE LANGUAGE SPOKEN BY THE HOSTAGE TAKERS AND
THAT THEY GAVE ABRUPT COMMANDS TO THEM IN ENGLISH. THEIR MANNER

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THE TERRORISTS REPEATEDLY DEMANDED THAT 50 PRISONERS BEING HELD IN ISRAEL BE RELEASED FOR THE HOSTAGES OR THEY WOULD BE KILLED ONE BY ONE. THE AMERICANS WERE SCHEDULED TO BE THE

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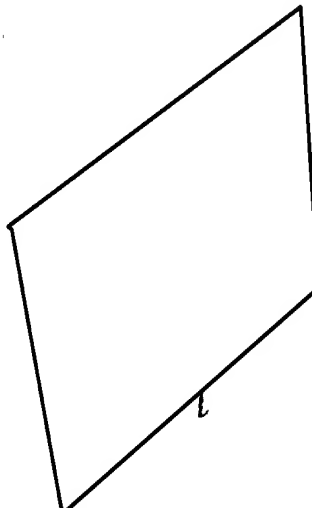
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ITALY: ANDREOTTI SAYS HIJACKERS TO BE TRIED IN ITALY

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((EXCERPTS)) ROME, OCT 11 (AFP) -- ITALIAN FOREIGN
MINISTER GIULIO ANDREOTTI SAID TODAY THAT THE FOUR PRESUMED *Italy*
HIJACKERS OF AN ITALIAN CRUISE SHIP WOULD BE TRIED IN ITALY, AFTER
U.S. FIGHTERS TODAY FORCED DOWN IN SICILY AN EGYPTIAN PLANE
TAKING THEM FROM CAIRO TO TUNIS.

MR. ANDREOTTI SAID IT WAS "IMPROBABLE" THEY WOULD BE EXTRADITED
TO THE UNITED STATES AS WASHINGTON HAS ASKED. THE CASE WAS
WITHIN THE COMPETENCE OF ITALY'S JUDICIAL SYSTEM AND ITALY DID NOT
GENERALLY ALLOW EXTRADITION TO COUNTRIES WHICH HAD THE DEATH
PENALTY, MR. ANDREOTTI SAID.

THE ACHILLE LAURO WAS HIJACKED LAST MONDAY OFF ALEXANDRIA,
(EGYPT.) THE HIJACKERS SURRENDERED WEDNESDAY AFTER ALLEGEDLY *u.s.*
KILLING ONE OF THE 400 PASSENGERS, 69-YEAR-OLD LEON KLINGHOFFER, A
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CRIPPLED JEWISH AMERICAN.

U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE SHULTZ HAD SAID IN AN INTERVIEW THAT THE PRESUMED PIRATES COULD FACE TRIAL IN ITALY AS WELL AS IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE EGYPTIAN BOEING WAS CARRYING THE PRESUMED HIJACKERS FROM CAIRO TO TUNIS, WHERE ACCORDING TO REPORTS THEY WERE TO BE TURNED OVER TO THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION TO BE TRIED.

BUT THE BOEING WAS INTERCEPTED AND FORCED TO LAND AT A NATO BASE.

THE FOUR ALLEGED HIJACKERS WERE ARRESTED, AS WELL AS THE LEADER OF THE PALESTINIAN SPLINTER GROUP THE PALESTINIAN LIBERATION FRONT, ~~ABU~~ ~~YAL~~ ~~AB~~ ~~E~~ ~~B~~ ~~A~~ ~~S~~, WHO WAS ON THE PLANE, ACCORDING TO PLO SOURCES. HE WAS NOT AMONG THE PRESUMED HIJACKERS, BUT ITALIAN

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PREMIER BETTINO CRAXI ANNOUNCED TODAY HE AND A SECOND PALESTINIAN ALSO NOT A MEMBER OF LINER COMMANDO WOULD BE REQUIRED TO TESTIFY AT THE TRIAL OF THE HIJACKERS.

TUNISIA DENIED THE REPORTS THAT THE EGYPTIAN PLANE WAS TO HAVE LANDED IN TUNIS, SAYING IT HAD REFUSED LANDING RIGHTS.

SOURCES CLOSE TO THE ITALIAN PREMIER SAID THAT THE EGYPTIAN PLANE CARRYING THE HIJACKERS WAS FIRST REFUSED THE RIGHT TO LAND AT TUNIS, ALGIERS AND ATHENS AND THEN, AFTER BEING INTERCEPTED BY U.S. FIGHTERS AND CLAIMING IT WAS SHORT OF FUEL, ASKED TO BE ALLOWED TO PUT DOWN AT THE NEAREST ITALIAN AIRPORT. ((PASSAGE OMITTED))

MR. 'ARAFAT HAS DENIED THAT THE PLO WAS TO RECEIVE THE SUSPECTED HIJACKERS AT ITS HEADQUARTERS IN TUNIS. PLO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID THE ALLEGED PIRATES WOULD BE TRIED IN CAIRO AND DENIED THE CLAIM OF EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT HUSNI MUBARAK THAT THEY HAD LEFT CAIRO IN PLO HANDS.

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MAIN SALON; IT-PT: 00: WFO BY TT DATED 10/13/85, FROM: NEWARK

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF [REDACTED] ON OCTOBER 12, 1985.

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ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERAGENCY
HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING GROUP INTERVIEWED [REDACTED] WHO HAD BEEN
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[] ADVISED THAT HE WAS A PASSENGER ABOARD THE ACHILLE LAURO ASSIGNED TO CAB V87. HE STATED THAT ON THE MORNING OF OCTOBER 7, 1985, HE WAS RETURNING TO THE SHIP WITH A GROUP OF PASSENGERS AFTER COMPLETING A SHORT SHOPPING TRIP AT THE PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT. AT APPROXIMATELY 11:37 A.M., [] STATED THAT HE HEARD NOISES AND GUN SHOTS BEING FIRED. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER, [] OBSERVED FOUR ARMED MEN IN THE DINING ROOM ALONG WITH SEVERAL OTHER PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS. THE FOUR MEN WHO [] BELIEVED WERE ARMED WITH SUB-MACHINE GUNS, TOLD EVERYONE IN THE DINING ROOM TO GET DOWN ON THE FLOOR.

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[] ADVISED THAT HE HEARD LOUD GROANING NOISES, AND HE WAS TOLD BY ANOTHER PASSENGER THAT TWO CREW MEMBERS HAD BEEN SHOT. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, TWO OF THE ARMED MEN (HERE AND AFTER REFERRED TO AS TERRORISTS) CAME INTO THE AREA OF THE DINING ROOM NEAR A STAIRCASE SHOUTING FOR BENZINE. A FEW MINUTES LATER SEVERAL CREW MEMBERS ARRIVED CARRYING LARGE PLASTIC CONTAINERS FILLED WITH A SUBSTANCE THAT [] BELIEVED TO BE PETROL OF SOME TYPE.

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TWO OF THE TERRORISTS REMAINED WITH THE GROUP OF PASSENGERS IN THE DINING ROOM WHILE THE OTHER TERRORISTS WERE POUNDING UP

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CREW MEMBERS AND PASSENGERS. AFTER SEVERAL HOURS IN THE DINING ROOM, THE 12 AMERICANS WERE TAKEN TO THE ARAZZUI LOUNGE, WHICH IS THREE OR FOUR DECKS ABOVE THE DINING ROOM. THE AMERICANS WERE KEPT IN ONE AREA OF THIS LOUNGE ADJACENT TO WHICH WAS AN AREA WHERE FIVE ENGLISH GIRLS WERE HELD. [] RECALLED THAT THE TERRORISTS DETERMINED WHO WERE THE AMERICANS BY REQUESTING AN INDIVIDUAL'S PASSPORT OR, IF IT WAS NOT AVAILABLE, DEMANDING HIS NATIONALITY. ACCORDING TO [], THERE WERE TWO ADDITIONAL AMERICANS ON BOARD THE SHIP WITH DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS WHO HID THEIR PASSPORTS AND CLAIMED TO BE AUSTRIANS. [] IDENTIFIED THE AMERICANS HELD WITH HIM AS MARILYN AND LEON KLINGHOFFER, []

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TWO FEMALES FROM MIAMI AND HIS WIFE, [].

[] ADVISED THAT ONE PARTICULAR TERRORIST, WHO MAY HAVE BEEN THE LEADER, WAS PARTICULARLY "NASTY" AND SHOUTED "REAGAN NO GOOD, ARAFAT GOOD."

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AT APPROXIMATELY 11:00 A.M., ON TUESDAY, 11 OF THE AMERICANS, FIVE ENGLISH GIRLS AND A COUPLE OF AUSTRIAN JEWS WERE TAKEN TO A GREEN

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METAL DECK 15 FEET BELOW THE CAPTAIN'S BRIDGE. [] EXPLAINED THAT LEON KLINGHOFFER WAS LEFT ALONE IN A WHEELCHAIR IN THE LOUNGE.

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WHILE ON THE METAL DECK, TWO CONTAINERS OF GASOLINE WAS PLACED WITH THE HOSTAGES, AND THE CAPS OF THE CONTAINERS WERE REMOVED. [] WAS TOLD, ALONG WITH THE OTHER INDIVIDUALS WEARING EYEGLASSES, TO PLACE THEM ON THE DECK. HE DESCRIBED ONE OF THE TERRORISTS AS TALL WITH A MUSTACHE AND WEARING A SWEAT SHIRT WITH "MEN" ACROSS THE FRONT. THIS SWEAT SHIRT WAS FURTHER DESCRIBED AS HAVING ARAB WORDS AND SYMBOLS ON THE SLEEVES.

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[] RECALLED THAT THEY REMAINED IN THIS AREA FOR ABOUT THREE HOURS AFTER WHICH THE AMERICANS AND THE OTHER INDIVIDUALS WERE TAKEN BACK TO THE LOUNGE AND SEGREGATED AS BEFORE INTO SEPARATE GROUPS. [] ADVISED THAT LEON KLINGHOFFER WAS NO LONGER IN THE LOUNGE. AT THIS POINT, VARIOUS PASSENGERS WERE BEING ALLOWED TO RETURN TO THEIR ROOMS UNESCORTED. AT APPROXIMATELY 4:00 P.M., ON TUESDAY THE TERRORIST, WHO [] BELIEVED MAY HAVE BEEN THE LEADER, TOOK THE ALL AMERICANS TO AN AREA OF THE SHIP HE DESCRIBED AS A CHILDRENS' PLAYGROUND. THE AMERICANS REMAINED IN THAT LOCATION UNTIL APPROXIMATELY 6:00 P.M.

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AFTER WHICH THEY WERE RETURNED TO THE SAME AREA OF THE LOUNGE WHERE THEY HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY KEPT. ON TUESDAY EVENING, [] STATED THE CREW INFORMED THE AMERICANS THAT THEY WERE NEAR PORT SAID, EGYPT. [] IDENTIFIED [] AS HAVING CONVERSATIONS WITH HIS WAITER CONCERNING THE TERRORISTS' LOCATIONS ON THE SHIP. HE PROVIDED [] ADDRESS AS [] [] TELEPHONE NUMBER AN3-645.

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[] STATED THAT NO ATTEMPT HAD BEEN MADE BY THE TERRORISTS TO IDENTIFY ANY PASSENGER WITH A JEWISH BACKGROUND.

[] FURTHER ADVISED THAT WHILE IN SICILY AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE HOSTAGE CRISIS, HE OBSERVED THE FOUR TERRORISTS IN CUSTODY, AND HE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED THESE MEN AS HAVING BEEN THE TERRORISTS ON BOARD THE ACHILLE LAURO FOR THE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES IN SICILY.

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~~BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION CONCERNING [] IS AS FOLLOWS:~~

~~RESIDENCE~~ []

~~TELEPHONE~~ []

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~~DOR~~ []

~~POB NEWARK, N. J., CITIZENSHIP~~

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HEIGHT 5' 8", WEIGHT 145 POUNDS, BUILD THIN, EYES HAZEL,
FOREIGN LANGUAGES SPOKEN NONE

DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION TO US INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY
LEFT TO DISCRETION OF RECIPIENTS.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU: THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO
FURNISH THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO LEGAT BONN AND ROME.

~~C BY C-7; DECL ON OADR~~

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DATE: 03-18-2010

CLASSIFIED BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/MJS

REASON: 1.4 (Source)

DECLASSIFY ON: 03-18-2035

MESSAGE RELAY VIA TELETYPE
(RESTRICTED USE)

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Date:

10/23/85

PRECEDENCE:

☒ IMMEDIATE☐ PRIORITY☐ ROUTINE

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FM: DIRECTOR, FBI

TO: Legats Bern, Bonn

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Classification:

~~Secret~~^(S)

Addressee Internal Distribution

For: _____

Subject: _____

256-12-37

☒ See Attached

OCT 31 1985

Approved By:

Originator:

Tele Ext.

Room/Div.:

MS

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Memorandum



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SDS

To : FBI Laboratory Division
Evidence Control Center
Room 3223, TL 241

Date 10/30/85

From : SA [redacted]

Section & Symbol SAS WZ

Subject : MAIN SALON

HOSTAGE TAKING - TERRORISM

OO:WFO 256-2 (P)

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TESTIMONY

Butfile # _____
(circle one) Court Grand Jury Other - _____ Dates _____
Supporting: (circle one) Bureau Federal Local Workdays _____
City & State _____ Category 1 2 3 4
Testified? ☐ Yes ☐ No If No, then circle Reason Below for Appearing in Court but
not Testifying.
01. Guilty Plea 03. Case Dismissed 05. Testimony not Needed
02. Case Continued 04. Stipulation 06. Mistrial
07. Other _____

Results of Trial _____ Judge _____
Prosecuting Attorney _____ Defense Attorney _____

OTHER COMMITMENTS

Butfile # 256-12
Agency FBI
(circle one) Bureau Federal Local City & State Genoa, Italy
Dates 10/16-10/20
Workdays 3

Purpose: (circle one)
01. Lecture/Training (Others) 06. Research/Data Acquisition
01A. Tours, Training, etc., at FBIHQ 07. _____
02. Training (Self) 08. Investigative Support Crime scene
03. Speech 09. Communication Support
04. Pretrial Conference 10. Conference/Meeting
05. Field Examination of Evidence 11. Deposition

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Details/Unusual or Interesting Circumstances

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DATE 03-11-2010 BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/MJS

TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype
☐ Facsimile
☒ Airtel

PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate
☐ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET
☐ SECRET
☐ CONFIDENTIAL
☐ UNCLAS E F T O
☐ UNCLAS

Date 10/18/85

TO: SAC, WFO (256-2)

FROM: SAC, NEWARK (256-2) (P) (FCI-1/TTF)

MAIN SALON:

HOSTAGE TALKING - TERRORISM

OO: WFO

Re: WFO telcall to NTTF, 10/18/85

Enclosed for WFO are two photographs each
of sixteen (16) individuals.

In response to the referenced telcall, Newark
is providing thirty-two (32) photographs, two each for
each individual. Those photographs were used in a
line-up in Italy with the four terrorist, and were pro-
vided to Newark by Legat, Bonn.

WFO is requested to provide the Bureau with
one (1) set of the enclosed photographs.

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(2) - Bureau
(2) - WFO (encs. 32)
(2) - Newark
LCS/irn
(6)

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12 OCT 21 1985

Approved: *[Signature]*

Transmitted

(Number)

(Time)

Per

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DATE: 03-17-2010
CLASSIFIED BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/MJS
REASON: 1.4 (c)
DECLASSIFY ON: 03-17-2035

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FORMS.TEXT HAS 1 DOCUMENT

INBOX.1 (#1323)

18 OCT 85 17 56

TEXT:

DE00011 2911246

FEDERAL BUREAU
OF INVESTIGATION

PP HQ2 CG LA NY SD WI

DE DE

P 18 1246 OCT 85

FM DETROIT (199H-2386) (256-2) (CI-1)

TO DIRECTOR (PRIORITY)

CHICAGO (PRIORITY)

LOS ANGELES (PRIORITY)

NEW YORK (PRIORITY)

SAN DIEGO (PRIORITY)

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (PRIORITY)

BT

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ATTENTION EOC, ROOM 5005, FBIHQ

PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO); IT-PLO; OO: NEW YORK

MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING-TERRORISM; OO: WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

ENTIRE COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED ~~SECRET~~.

DETAILS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE BEING FURNISHED FOR THE
INFORMATION AND INVESTIGATIVE INTEREST OF THE BUREAU AND
RECEIVING OFFICES. INFORMATION CONCERNS CERTAIN COMMENTS MADE
IN REFERENCE TO THE HIJACKING OF THE ACHILLE LAURO AND THE

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BOMBING OF THE ARAB-AMERICAN ANTI-DISCRIMINATION COMMITTEE (ADC)
OFFICE IN SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA, OCTOBER 11, 1985.

(S) ALL DETAILS HAVE BEEN [REDACTED] A SENSITIVE
AND EXTREMELY RELIABLE ASSET WHO IS IN A POSITION TO OBTAIN
DETAILS AS REPORTED HEREIN. THE UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF THIS
INFORMATION COULD POSSIBLY COMPROMISE THIS SENSITIVE ASSET.

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ABOVE DETAILS ARE BEING FURNISHED TO APPRISE THE BUREAU AND
RECEIVING OFFICES OF THE CURRENT POSTURE TAKEN BY PLO/FATAH LEADERS
IN THE U.S.

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INVESTIGATION AT DTROIT IS CONTINUING.

~~C BY G-3; DRD OADR.~~

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AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM:
FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE
EXEMPTION CODE 25X(c)
DATE 03-18-2010

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FM DETROIT (1004-2326) (256-2) (P) (CI-1)

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TO DIRECTOR (IMMEDIATE)

LOS ANGELES (IMMEDIATE)

NEW YORK (IMMEDIATE)

SAN DIEGO (IMMEDIATE)

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (IMMEDIATE)

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ATTENTION EOC, ROOM 5705, FBIHQ

PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO): IT-PLO: 00: NEW YORK

MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING-TERRORISM: 00: WASHINGTON FIELD

ENTIRE COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED "~~SECRET~~."

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OF THE BUREAU AND THE INVESTIGATIVE INTEREST OF RECEIVING
OFFICES. ALL DETAILS ARE RELATED TO THE BOMBING OF THE OFFICE
OF THE ARAB-AMERICAN ANTI-DISCRIMINATION (ADC) IN SANTA ANA,
CALIFORNIA, ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1985, AND THE HIJACKING OF
THE ITALIAN SHIP. THIS INCIDENT RESULTED IN THE DEATH OF
(X)ALEX ODEH(X), WHO WAS LISTED AS THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF

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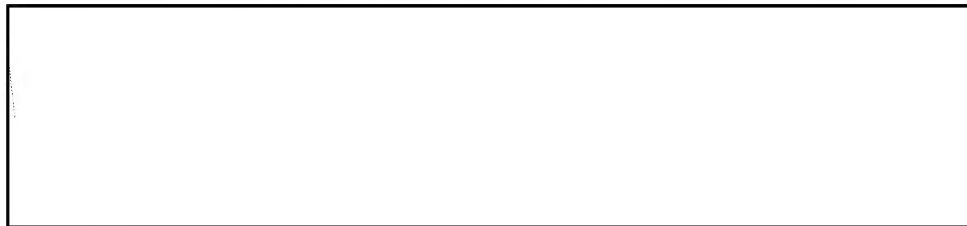
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ABOVE DETAILS ARE BEING BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF
THE BUREAU AND RECEIVING OFFICES TO APPRISE THEM OF THE CURRENT
POSTURE BEING TAKEN BY LEADERS OF THE FLO/FATAH IN THE UNITED
STATES WITH REGARD TO RECENT EVENTS.

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N.T.
B. J. J.
O. J. J.
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MESSAGE RELAY VIA TELETYPE
(RESTRICTED USE)

Date: 10/24

PRECEDENCE:

☐ IMMEDIATE☒ PRIORITY☐ ROUTINE

FM: DIRECTOR, FBI

DECLASSIFIED BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/MJS
ON 03-18-2010

TO: FBI Washington Field (256-2) (P)(C1)

☐ White House/WH/☐ Director National Security Agency/NSA/☐ Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms/BATF/☐ Director Naval Investigative Service/DIRNAVINSERV/☐ Central Intelligence Agency/CIA/☐ Drug Enforcement Admin./DEA/☐ CIA DCD/DCD/☐ FAA Washington HQ/FAA/☐ Dept. of Energy HQS/DOEHQ/☐ HQ AFOSI Bolling AFBDC/AFOSI/☐ Dept. of Energy Germantown DIV/DOE/☐ INSCOM Ft. Meade/INSCOM/☐ Dept. of Justice/DOJ/☐ Nuclear Regulatory Commission/NRC/☐ Dept. of State/DOS/☐ U.S. Customs Service/UCS/☐ Dept. of the Army/DA/☐ U.S. Immigration & Naturalization Service/INS/☐ Dept. of Treasury/DOT/☐ U.S. Secret Service/USSS/☐ Defense Intelligence Agency/DIA/☐ Other: _____

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Classification: Secret

Addressee Internal Distribution

For: _____

256-12-38

Subject: Main Salor, Hostage Taking - Terrorism; 00:WFO☒ See Attached

4 NOV 1 1985

Approved By: ANS

Originator: _____

Tele Ext. 4575Room/Div.: 4235/6

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
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U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
FBI

VZCZC80N262 2960959

P 221100Z OCT 85

FM BONN (245-1) (P)

TO DIRECTOR PRIORITY

LEGAL ROME PRIORITY

BT

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MAIN SALON; IT-HOSTAGE TAKING; OO: WFO

THIS COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED "~~SECRET~~" IN ITS ENTIRETY.

ON OCTOBER 18, 1985, THE

MADE AVAILABLE THE FIRST

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SECTION OF A REPORT MADE BY THEIR REPRESENTATIVE FOLLOWING HIS BOARDING OF THE "ACHILLE LAURO" ON OCTOBER 10, 1985, AT 12:30 PM IN THE COMPANY OF THE WEST GERMAN EMBASSY'S FIRST SECRETARY. [] HAS AN INVESTIGATION INSTITUTED IN THIS MATTER DUE TO THE NUMBER OF GERMAN PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS AND BECAUSE ONE OF THE HIJACKERS BRAGGED TO ONE OF THE GERMANS THAT HE HAD 60-80 FRIENDS IN HANNOVER, WEST GERMANY. THE FOLLOWING IS EXTRACTED FROM THE REPORT AS SUPPLEMENTARY TO THAT WHICH EXISTS IN THE BONN FILE. IT IS TRANSLATED FROM THE GERMAN AS FOLLOWS:

"PONTE PASSEGGIATA (KLINGHOFFER CRIME SCENE).

"THE PROMENADE DECK AND PONTE PASSEGGIATA CAN BE SEEN FROM THE STARBOARD AND PORT SIDES EACH WITH SIX DOORS THAT LEAD

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OUTSIDE. IT IS POSSIBLE TO PUSH THE WHEELCHAIR OF KLINGHOFFER THROUGH VARIOUS INNER ROOMS WITHOUT GOING OVER A THRESHOLD OR STEPS. TO GO OUTSIDE THE WHEELCHAIR MUST BE LIFTED OVER A RAISED THRESHOLD WHICH PROTECTS FROM RAIN OR SEA WATER. THE STARBOARD SIDE OF THE PONTE PASSEGGIATA IS THE POSSIBLE LOCATION OF THE KLINGHOFFER CRIME, DIRECTLY ON THE BULWARK OF THE PASSAGEWAY TO THE PONTE IMBARCAZIONI WHICH IS UNDERNEATH. ONE OF THE BULWARK SUPPORTS, APPROXIMATELY 2.5 METERS FROM THE PASSAGEWAY IN THE DIRECTION OF THE BOW, SHOWS LIGHT RED-BROWN FLECKS (PROBABLY BLOOD) IN A LENGTH OF ABOUT 25 CENTIMETERS (CM), APPROXIMATELY ONE METER BEFORE IN THE DIRECTION OF THE BOW, ON THE ABOVE OF THE TWO DIAGONAL SUPPORTS FOR THE HANDRAILING, IS A 10 PFENNIG (ABOUT 1 NICKEL) COIN SIZED CHIP OF PAINT MISSING WHERE THE BARE METAL IS VISIBLE. THE PAINT CHIP WAS EXHAUSTIVELY LOOKED AT AS POSSIBLY CAUSED BY A SHOT WITHOUT ANY SIMILARITIES BEING NOTICED AS IN THE TWO FLOOR BULLET HOLES IN THE FLOOR AT THE PASSAGEWAY TO THE CABINS. ACCORDINGLY, IT CANNOT BE RULED OUT THAT THE PAINT CHIP MIGHT HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THE WHEELCHAIR HITTING. EXACTLY UNDERNEATH THIS PAINT CHIP, APPROXIMATELY 4-5 METERS DOWN, A SKIRTING BOARD

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OF ABOUT 15 CM WIDTH RUNS DOWN BOTH SIDES OF THE SHIP. FROM ABOVE, ON THE SKIRTING BOARD, COULD BE SEEN ABOUT A 5 CM ALMOST ROUND, RED-BROWN SPOT WHICH ON THE EDGE WAS DARK BROWN TO BLACK, BUT BECAME BRIGHTER TOWARDS THE MIDDLE, WHICH HAD IN THE CENTER EITHER DARK PARTICLES OF AN UNKNOWN MASS OR DROPS OF ALMOST BLACK BLOOD. THERE IS HARDLY DOUBT THAT THE SPOTS WERE BLOOD. BECAUSE OF LEGAL GROUNDS THE BLOOD SPOTS COULD NOT BE SECURED."

BONN WILL FORWARD THE COMPLETE REPORT UPON RECEIPT FROM

[] HAS NOTED THE ABOVE CANNOT BE USED IN COURT.

C BY 9230, DECL: OADR

~~ADMINISTRATIVE:~~

~~FBIHQ REQUESTED TO RETRANSMIT TO WFO.~~

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MESSAGE RELAY VIA TELETYPE
(RESTRICTED USE)DECLASSIFIED BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/MJS
ON 03-18-2010Date: 10-16-85

PRECEDENCE:

☒ IMMEDIATE☐ PRIORITY☐ ROUTINE

FM: DIRECTOR, FBI

TO: WFO☐ White House/WH/☐ Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms/BATF/☐ Central Intelligence Agency/CIA/☐ CIA DCD/DCD/☐ Dept. of Energy HQS/DOEHQ/☐ Dept. of Energy Germantown DIV/DOE/☐ Dept. of Justice/DOJ/☐ Dept. of State/DOS/☐ Dept. of the Army/DA/☐ Dept. of Treasury/DOT/☐ Defense Intelligence Agency/DIA/☐ Director National Security Agency/NSA/☐ Director Naval Investigative Service/DIRNAVINSERV/☐ Drug Enforcement Admin./DEA/☐ FAA Washington HQ/FAA/☐ HQ AFOSI Bolling AFBDC/AFOSI/☐ INSCOM Ft. Meade/INSCOM/☐ Nuclear Regulatory Commission/NRC/☐ U.S. Customs Service/UCS/☐ U.S. Immigration & Naturalization Service/INS/☐ U.S. Secret Service/USSS/☐ Other: _____

BT

Classification: ~~Secret~~

Addressee Internal Distribution

For: _____

Subject: 236 12-39

7 OCT 25 1985

☒ See AttachedApproved By: RLS

Originator: _____

Tele Ext. 4575Room/Div. 4239/6

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FM LEGAT ROME (256-1) (P)

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FOR THE INFORMATION OF FBIHQ, SA [] OF THE WFO

INVESTIGATIVE TEAM IN ROME TRAVELED TO SYRIA DURING AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 15, 1985 TO ASSIST IN IDENTIFICATION OF THE BODY OF LEON KLINGHOFFER. DURING THE EARLY MORNING HOURS OF THIS DATE, OCTOBER 16, 1985 SA [] WAS IN CONTACT WITH LEGAT ROME FROM DAMASCUS, SYRIA, AND ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

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SA [] ADVISED THAT HE WAS ALLOWED TO VIEW THE BODY IN QUESTION DURING THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 15, 1985 AT A SYRIAN MILITARY HOSPITAL. VISUAL EXAMINATION OF THE BODY INDICATES THAT ITS PHYSICAL APPEARANCE, HEIGHT, WEIGHT, OVERALL BUILD, AND MOLE ON RIGHT CHEEK, ALL INDICATE THIS IS THE BODY OF LEON KLINGHOFFER. SA [] IS NOT A FINGERPRINT EXAMINER, HOWEVER, HE ROLLED FINGERPRINTS FROM THE ONE REMAINING HAND OF THE BODY AND COMPARISON OF THE ROLLED PRINTS WITH

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THE KNOWN FINGERPRINTS OF LEON KLINGHOFFER INDICATE THAT THEY MATCH.

SA [] ADVISED THAT SYRIAN AUTHORITIES MADE DENTAL X-RAYS OF THE BODY WHICH INDICATED THAT ONE NATURAL TOOTH REMAINED. DENTAL RECORDS OF LEON KLINGHOFFER ALSO REFLECT HE HAD ONE NATURAL TOOTH ONLY. BASED UPON THIS INFORMATION IT IS THE OPINION OF SA [] THAT THE BODY IN QUESTION IS THAT OF LEON KLINGHOFFER.

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SYRIAN OFFICIALS HAVE RELEASED THE BODY TO THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO SYRIA AND IT IS TO BE TRANSPORTED TO ROME THIS DATE, ABOARD AN ITALIAN FLIGHT 743 WHICH ARRIVES IN ROME AT 3:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME. SA [] WILL ACCOMPANY THE BODY ON ITS FLIGHT TO ROME. SA [] IS BEARING A LETTER FROM THE ITALIAN AMBASSADOR TO SYRIA ADVISING THAT THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WILL ACCEPT THIS BODY FOR AUTOPSY. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT AT THIS POINT, DUE TO THE REQUEST OF THE FAMILY, NO AUTOPSY HAS BEEN PERFORMED.

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SA [] ALSO ADVISED THAT HIS PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF THE BODY CONFIRMED THAT ONE GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE BODY WAS CLEARLY VISIBLE, AND THAT A SECOND GUNSHOT WOUND APPEARED POSSIBLE.

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UPON ARRIVAL IN ROME, FBIHQ FINGERPRINT EXAMINER WILL BE REQUESTED TO EXAMINE THE BODY AND ATTEMPT TO MAKE A POSITIVE

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AT APPROXIMATELY 2:30 P.M. THIS DATE LEGAT ROME WAS TELE-
PHONICALLY CONTACTED BY [] OF THE FBI IDENTIFICATION
DIVISION. [] HAD JUST COMPLETED HIS EXAMINATION OF THE
REMAINS OF THE BODY BELIEVED TO BE THAT OF MR. LEON KLINGHOFFER
AND WAS ABLE TO VERIFY THAT THE BODY IN QUESTION WAS IN FACT
THAT OF MR. KLINGHOFFER. THIS IDENTIFICATION WAS MADE THROUGH
FINGERPRINT EXAMINATION. A DETAILED REPORT OF THE EXAMINATION
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AT APPROXIMATELY 1:00 P.M. THIS DATE WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM ABOARD THE "ACHILLE LAURO" REQUESTED, THROUGH THE AMERICAN CONSUL GENERAL IN GENOA, THAT LEGAT LONDON BE TASKED TO MAKE CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] OF CHANDRIS LIMITED (ONE OF THE COMPANIES WHICH OWNS THE "ACHILLE LAURO"), NUMBER FIVE ST. HELEN PLACE, LONDON, ENGLAND EC3A 6B5, TELEPHONE NUMBER (01) 588-5984, FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF SEVERAL GIRLS WHO WERE PART OF AN ENGLISH DANCING TROUPE WHICH WAS ABOARD THE "ACHILLE LAURO". [REDACTED] REPORTEDLY BOOKED THIS GROUP TO APPEAR ABOARD THE SHIP AND SHOULD BE IN A POSITION TO ASSIST IN THEIR LOCATION.

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LEGAT LONDON IS REQUESTED TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW THESE
INDIVIDUALS REGARDING THE "ACHILLE LAURO" INCIDENT.

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HIJACKING OF LE ACHILLE LAURO, AN ITALIAN CRUISE SHIP SEIZED				
OFF THE COAST OF EGYPT BY MEMBERS OF THE ABU ABAS FACTION OF				
THE PALESTINE LIBERATION FRONT. ON OCTOBER 8, 1985, THE				
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<p>✓ PAGE TWO DE H0 0020 UNCL5*AS</p> <p>↑ DUE TO THE NUMBER OF AUSTRIAN AND SWISS NATIONALS WHO WERE</p> <p>BOARD LE ACHILLE LAURO, BERN SHOULD RESTRICT INTERVIEWS TO</p> <p>THOSE WHICH ARE LOGICALLY INDICATED FROM BERN'S INVESTIGATION</p> <p>OR THOSE REQUESTED BY FBI HEADQUARTERS, OTHER LEGAL ATTACHES,</p> <p>OR WASHINGTON FIELD.</p> <p>BT</p> <p>I</p>			
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By Teletype dated 10/15/85 Legat Rome advised as follows:
AS FBIHQ IS AWARE, WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM IS CURRENTLY IN

ROME FOR THE PURPOSE OF GAINING INVESTIGATIVE ACCESS TO THE SHIP
"ACHILLE LAURO" FOR CRIME SCENE EXAMINATION, INTERVIEW ACCESS TO
CREW AND APPROPRIATE WITNESSES ABOARD THE "ACHILLE LAURO", AND
TO SECURE INTERVIEWS WITH FOUR PALESTINIAN TERRORIST HIJACKERS
INCARCERATED BY ITALIAN AUTHORITIES.

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IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE OBJECTIVES LEGAT ROME HAS INITIATED/
CONTACT WITH THE FOLLOWING ITALIAN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES:

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(S) [REDACTED] ITALIAN NATIONAL POLICE; [REDACTED]

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ITALIAN MAGISTRATES ENGAGED IN THE PROSECUTION/INVESTIGATION
OF THIS MATTER. EACH OF THESE ENTITIES HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF WFO

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INVESTIGATIVE TEAM NEEDS AND HAVE BEEN REQUESTED TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE/ACCESS SO THAT THOSE NEEDS CAN BE FULFILLED.

IN ADDITION TO LEGAT ROME'S INITIATIVES, THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO ITALY IN ROME HAS GIVEN NOTICE TO OFFICIALS OF THE ITALIAN MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND MINISTRY OF JUSTICE, ADVISING THEM OF THE PURPOSE OF WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM'S PRESENCE IN ITALY AND OF U.S. JURISDICTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES OVER THIS INCIDENT.

FBIHQ SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THE "ACHILLE LAURO" INCIDENT IS POLITICALLY EXTREMELY SENSITIVE AND THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IS PROCEEDING VERY CAUTIOUSLY. THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT'S RELEASE OF HAS CREATED AN UPROAR AND THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT'S POLITICAL OPPOSITION HAS UNDERTAKEN TO MAKE A MAJOR ISSUE OF THIS INCIDENT. CONTINUED FALLOUT OVER THIS MATTER COULD CONCEIVABLY LEAD TO THE FALL OF THE CURRENT GOVERNMENT.

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WITH THESE DEVELOPMENTS IN MIND, THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IS JUSTIFYING ITS LACK OF SUPPORT AND INACTION BY CITING THE ITALIAN JUDICIAL SECRECY ACT AS PREVENTING DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION REGARDING THIS CASE. THE JUDICIAL SECRECY ACT COMPELS AUTHORITIES TO SAFEGUARD ACCESS TO AND RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS. LEGAT ROME, HOWEVER, IS AWARE OF SEVERAL INSTANCES WHEREIN THE ITALIANS HAVE

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WAIVED THIS LAW AND PROVIDED INFORMATION WHEN IT WAS IN THEIR INTERESTS TO DO SO. THE HIGH PROFILE OF THIS INCIDENT HAS MADE IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT FOR ITALIAN OFFICIALS TO GO ON RECORD WAIVING THIS LAW AND THEY ARE RELUCTANT TO COMMIT THEMSELVES. ALL ITALIAN AUTHORITIES INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER HAVE BEEN FULLY MADE AWARE OF OUTSTANDING U.S. GOVERNMENT WARRANTS FOR THE SUBJECTS AND FBI INVESTIGATIVE JURISDICTION.

IN VIEW OF THE POLITICAL REALITIES AND THE LACK OF ITALIAN RESPONSE TO THE OUTSTANDING INFORMATION REQUEST FOR COOPERATION, LEGAT ROME RECOMMENDS THAT OFFICIAL LETTERS OF ROGATORY BE PREPARED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR MAKING FORMAL REQUEST OF THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO WAIVE THE JUDICIAL SECRECY ACT AND ALLOW WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM ACCESS IN THE AREAS NEEDED. UPON RECEIPT OF SUCH A FORMAL REQUEST IT WOULD BE EXPECTED THAT A REPLY WOULD BE FORTHCOMING WITHIN FOUR TO FIVE WEEKS.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF FBIHQ, THE FOUR PALESTINIAN TERRORISTS ARRESTED BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM SICILY BY ITALIAN AUTHORITIES AND ARE CURRENTLY BEING LODGED IN A SECURE FACILITY IN THE UMBRIA REGION WHICH IS NORTH OF ROME ABOUT HALF-WAY TO GENOA. ITALIAN PROSECUTION WILL EVENTUALLY TAKE PLACE IN

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GENOA WHICH IS THE PORT FROM WHICH THE "ACHILLE LAURO" SET SAIL BEFORE THE HIJACKING. IN ORDER FOR WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE SUBJECTS FOR INTERVIEW IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO GAIN THE AUTHORITY OF THE LOCAL ITALIAN MAGISTRATE HANDLING THE CASE. EFFORTS IN THIS REGARD ARE ONGOING WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE AMERICAN CONSUL GENERAL IN GENOA.

AS FBIHQ KNOWS, A BODY, BELIEVED TO BE THAT OF LEON KLINGHOFFER, WASHED ASHORE NEAR TARTUS, SYRIA, AND IS CURRENTLY UNDER THE CONTROL OF SYRIAN OFFICIALS. THE BODY WAS MISSING ONE OF ITS ARMS, WAS MISSING FALSE TEETH, AND WAS REPORTED TO BE IN BAD CONDITION. PER BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS, IN AN EFFORT TO ASSIST IN MAKING POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION OF THESE REMAINS, SA [REDACTED] OF THE WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM IN ROME WAS DISPATCHED THIS DATE TO DAMASCUS, SYRIA, CARRYING FINGERPRINT CARDS AND A PHOTOGRAPH OF MR. KLINGHOFFER TO PROVIDE SAME TO SYRIAN OFFICIALS TO ASSIST IN THE IDENTIFICATION PROCESS. IT HAS BEEN LEARNED THAT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS AGREED WITH THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT THAT THE REMAINS OF MR. KLINGHOFFER WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO ROME FOR COMPLETE AUTOPSY AND PATHOLOGICAL EXAMINATION. REPORTEDLY, THE SYRIAN GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY PERFORMED AN AUTOPSY AND DESIRES

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THAT THE BODY BE EMBALMED PRIOR TO BEING TRANSPORTED OUT OF SYRIA.

UNCONFIRMED REPORTS ALSO INDICATE THAT ITALIAN MAGISTRATES ARE TRAVELING TO DAMASCUS TO CONDUCT EXAMINATION OF THE BODY. SA WILL REMAIN IN SYRIA AND ACCOMPANY THE BODY TO ROME AND WITNESS THE AUTOPSY.

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THE "ACHILLE LAURO" IS SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME TO RETURN TO GENOA, ITALY, DURING THE AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 16, 1985. THE OWNERS OF THE "ACHILLE LAURO" ARE REPORTEDLY IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTY AS A RESULT OF THE HIJACKING AND ARE ANXIOUS TO HAVE THE "ACHILLE LAURO" SET SAIL THE FOLLOWING MORNING, OCTOBER 17, 1985, TO RESUME ANOTHER SCHEDULED TEN-DAY CRUISE. REPORTEDLY, 600 PEOPLE ARE AWAITING TO BOARD THE "ACHILLE LAURO" IN GENOA AND BEGIN A CRUISE. APPARENTLY LODGING IS LIMITED IN GENOA AND IF THESE PEOPLE DO NOT BEGIN THE CRUISE AS SCHEDULED, IT WILL CAUSE SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS. THE SAILING SCHEDULE FOR THE "ACHILLE LAURO" IS AS FOLLOWS:

DEPART GENOA ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1985, AT 16:30;

GENOA, OCTOBER 17, 1985;

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ALEXANDRIA, OCTOBER 22, 1985;

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CYPRUS, OCTOBER 25, 1985;

PIRAEUS, OCTOBER 25, 1985;

CAPRI, OCTOBER 26, 1985;

GENOA, OCTOBER 27-28, 1985, ARRIVAL MONDAY OCTOBER 28, 1985.

BASED UPON THE INFORMATION SET FORTH ABOVE, WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM IS EXPLORING, THROUGH AMERICAN CONSUL GENERAL IN GENOA, THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING A TEAM OF FOUR AGENTS BOARD THE "ACHILLE LAURO" IN GENOA AND ATTEMPT TO COMPLETE INVESTIGATION DURING THE SHIP'S CRUISE. IT WOULD BE HOPED THAT NECESSARY INVESTIGATION COULD BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO THE SHIP'S ARRIVAL IN ALEXANDRIA ON OCTOBER 22, 1985, WITH POSSIBLE COMPLETION PRIOR TO THE SHIP'S DEPARTURE FROM NAPLES ON OCTOBER 18, 1985. UPON COMPLETION OF INVESTIGATIVE NEEDS, THE WFO TEAM WILL DISEMBARK AT THE NEXT PORT FOR RETURN TO ROME OR THE U.S. AS REQUIRED. IN THE EVENT THAT THE AMERICAN CONSUL GENERAL IN GENOA CAN OBTAIN MAGISTRATE APPROVAL, SECURE PERMISSION FROM THE SHIP'S OWNERS, AND BOOK PASSAGE ON THE SHIP, FBIHQ SHOULD CONSIDER THE DESIRABILITY OF UNDERTAKING

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THIS INITIATIVE, NOTING THAT FAILURE TO OBTAIN THE NECESSARY INVESTIGATION VIA THIS METHOD WOULD POSTPONE THE NEXT OPPORTUNITY FOR TEN DAYS.

IF AUTHORITY TO UNDERTAKE THE ABOVE INVESTIGATION CANNOT BE OBTAINED, WFO INVESTIGATIVE TEAM INTENDS TO RETURN HALF THE TEAM TO THE U.S. AND RETAIN HALF THE TEAM TO REMAIN AVAILABLE TO INTERVIEW THE SUBJECTS IF GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY IN THE NEAR TERM. IF DELAYS PERSIST IN THAT REGARD, FBIHQ WILL BE CONSULTED ON WHAT ACTION TO NEXT TAKE. THE ABOVE WAS DISCUSSED WITH FBIHQ COMMAND CENTER THIS DATE.

FBIHQ WILL BE KEPT ADVISED AS TO DEVELOPMENTS.

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By teletype dated 10/11/85 FBI New York advised:

AS ADVISED BY FBIHQ EARLY THIS MORNING, NEW YORK INTENDS TO INTERVIEW ELEVEN RETURNING HOSTAGES FROM THE ACHILLES LAURO AT JFKIA ON OCTOBER 12, WHEN THEY ARRIVE VIA A UNITED STATES AIR FORCE C-141. IN ANTICIPATION OF THIS THE FOLLOWING IS REQUESTED:

LEGAT BONN. ASSIGN ONE ASSISTANT LEGAT TO BOARD THE C-141 DURING ITS REFUELING STOP AT RHEIN-MAIN AFB AND DURING THE FLIGHT

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"PREP" THE HOSTAGES AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS AS TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE BUREAU TO INTERVIEW THEM AS SOON AS THEY ARRIVE. NEW YORK FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE ORDEAL THEY HAVE BEEN THROUGH AND THE RIGORS OF A LONG FLIGHT ON A MILITARY AIRCRAFT, AND HAS RESERVED ROOMS AT AN AIRPORT HOTEL FOR THEIR USE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE INTERVIEWS. IT SHOULD BE STRESSED THAT THESE INTERVIEWS BE CONDUCTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BEFORE THEY DISPERSE TO THEIR HOMES AND THE MIRIAD OF PRESS ACCOUNTS BEGIN TO CIRCULATE, CONFUSING THEIR OWN RECOLLECTIONS.

LEGAT ROME. THROUGH APPROPRIATE ITALIAN CONTACTS OBTAIN A COPY OF THE SHIPS DECK PLANS FOR USE IN INTERVIEWING THE HOSTAGES. FURTHER, OBTAIN EITHER THROUGH COOPERATE ITALIAN AUTHORITIES, OR APPROPRIATE US MILITARY INTELLIGENCE CONTACTS AT THE SIGONELLA AIR BASE IN SICILY, MUGSHOTS OF THE FOUR HIJACKERS FOR USE IN A LINEUP. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE FLOWN ASAP, OR FACSIMILED AS A POORER ALTERNATIVE, TO NEW YORK PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST HOSTAGES TOMORROW.

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ON 03-18-2010Date: 10-15-85 PRECEDENCE:☒ IMMEDIATE ☐ PRIORITY ☐ ROUTINE

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For: Main SalonSubject: 256-12-45☒ See Attached

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

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Secretary of State

CLASSIFICATION: SECRET

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MAIN SALON, IT-HOSTAGE TAKING, OO: WFO

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF HOSTAGES ON BOARD THE ITALIAN CRUISE SHIP "LE ACHILLE LAURO" ON OCTOBER 12, 1985.

THIS COMMUNICATION IS CLASSIFIED "SECRET" IN ITS ENTIRETY.

ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERAGENCY HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING GROUP INTERVIEWED THE FOLLOWING HOSTAGES FROM THE ACHILLE LAURO. SUMMARY RESULTS OF INTERVIEWS FOLLOW:

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THE CAPTAIN OF THE AIRCRAFT WENT
OVER THE PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM INSTRUCTING ALL THE PASSENGERS
TO COME UP TO THE DINING ROOM. [REDACTED] AND THE OTHERS CAME
UP TO THE DINING ROOM AND WERE HERDED TOGETHER BY THE FOUR
HIJACKERS. THE PASSENGERS WERE INSTRUCTED TO KEEP THEIR HEADS
DOWN AND TO REMAIN IN THE REAR OF THIS DINING ROOM. [REDACTED]
BELIEVED THEY REMAINED IN THIS DINING ROOM FOR APPROXIMATELY
AN HOUR TO AN HOUR AND ONE-HALF. AT THIS TIME, THE HIJACKERS
TOOK ALL THE PASSENGERS' PASSPORTS. THE HIJACKERS ALSO THEN
SEGREGATED THE PASSENGERS INTO CATEGORIES OF DIFFERENT
NATIONALITIES AND CREW MEMBERS. SHE REMEMBERED THAT THE U.S.
CITIZENS WERE PLACED NEAREST TO THE DOOR THAT LED TO THE DECK.
AFTER APPROXIMATELY AN HOUR TO AN HOUR AND ONE-HALF, THE
AMERICANS, AS WELL AS THE OTHERS, WERE RUSHED UPSTAIRS TO WHAT
[REDACTED] BELIEVES WAS THE AROZZI LOUNGE.

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AFTER BEING SEGREGATED INSIDE THE LOUNGE, THE AMERICAN
PASSENGERS WERE DIRECTED OUTSIDE ONTO A TIN ROOF FACING THE REAR

[REDACTED]

... FROM AUSTRIA ...
... AND THEY ALSO ... THE OUTSIDE ROOFTOP ...
THE ENGLISH AND AMERICANS. ONE OF THE HIJACKERS TOLD THE GROUP
ON THE ROOFTOP THAT THE U.S. AND BRITISH AMBASSADORS WERE
GETTING. THE HIJACKERS PLACED TWO BIG DRUMS OF SOME FLAMMABLE
SUBSTANCE SUCH AS OIL AMONGST THE PASSENGERS LOCATED ON THIS
OUTSIDE ROOFTOP. [] REMARKED THAT THE HIJACKERS MADE
WHITE A SHOW OF OPENING THE CAPS ON THESE DRUMS AND MAKING IT
CLEAR THAT THEY CONTAINED A FLAMMABLE SUBSTANCE. []
ESTIMATED THAT SHE AND THE OTHER AMERICANS WERE KEPT ON THIS
ROOFTOP FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE HOURS. AT ALL TIMES, SHE
OBSERVED THE HIJACKERS TO BE CARRYING AUTOMATIC SHOULDER
WEAPONS AND HAND GRENADES. WHILE ON THIS ROOFTOP, []
AND THE OTHERS FIRST NOTICED THAT PASSENGER LEON KLINGHOFFER
WAS MISSING. ONE OF THE HIJACKERS, WHO [] LATER IDENTIFIES
AS [] INDICATED THAT MR. KLINGHOFFER WAS IN THE HOSPITAL.
[] OBSERVED THAT WHEN SHE WAS ON THE ROOFTOP SITE,

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IT WAS HER FEELING THAT BOTH THE GUN SHOTS AND THE
SPLASH CAME FROM THE SAME DIRECTION. SHE DESCRIBED THIS
DIRECTION AS BEING ON THE STARBOARD SIDE OF THE SHIP, PERHAPS
FURTHER AFT OF HER LOCATION.

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AFTER APPROXIMATELY THREE HOURS ON THIS ROOFTOP, THE
AMERICANS AND THE OTHERS WERE DIRECTED BACK TO THE LOUNGE. WHEN
SHE RETURNED TO THE LOUNGE, SHE NOTICED THAT ALL THE OTHER
PASSENGERS WERE STILL IN GROUPS AS BEFORE. AT THIS TIME, THE
ENGLISH GIRLS WERE DIRECTED TO LOCATE THEMSELVES BY THE DOOR
TO THE DECK.

IT WAS [REDACTED] RECOLLECTION THAT THROUGHOUT THE
HIJACKING THE SHIP'S CREW KEPT ON WORKING AND PROVIDED NECESSARY

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ALL THE PASSENGERS, CREW AND HIJACKERS WERE FOR THE REST OF THE HIJACKING. THE HIJACKERS TOLD THE PASSENGERS TO USE FOR SLEEPING. CREW MEMBERS ALSO OBSERVED THAT SOME PASSENGERS WERE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE LOUNGE IN ORDER TO GO TO THEIR CASINO AND OBTAIN MEDICATION. THESE PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS WERE USUALLY NOT ACCOMPANIED BY A HIJACKER. HOWEVER, EARLY ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE HIJACKING, THE CAPTAIN OF THE SHIP HAD ANNOUNCED THAT THERE WERE BOOBY-TRAPS PLACED THROUGHOUT THE SHIP AND IT WAS NOT ADVISABLE FOR THE PASSENGERS TO ROAM THE LINER. IT WAS ALSO [REDACTED] OBSERVATION THAT THE HIJACKERS NEVER APPEARED TO SLEEP OR EAT.

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ON THE FIRST NIGHT AFTER THE HIJACKING, THE HOSTAGES WERE HERDED UPSTAIRS TO A PLAY ROOM. [REDACTED] DESCRIBED THE ROOM AS A CHILDREN'S ROOM WITH A SLIDE. CREW MEMBERS BROUGHT UP FOOD TO THIS PLAY ROOM AND THE HIJACKERS TOLD THE PASSENGERS

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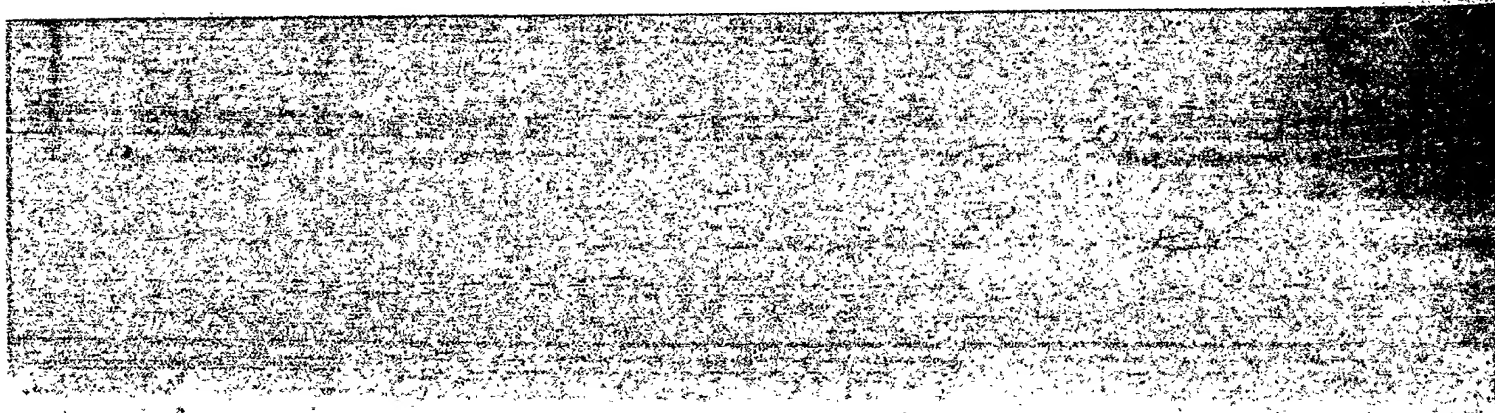
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SECTION TWO OF TWO

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~~MAIN SUBJECT: IT HOSTAGE TAKING, CO: WFO~~

INTERAGENCY DEBRIEFING OF HOSTAGES ON BOARD THE ITALIAN CRUISE
SHIP "LE ACHILLE LAURO" ON OCTOBER 12, 1985.



NO RECORD OF THE NAME OF THE PASSENGER WHO
WAS SEEN BY THE COLLECTOR. IT WAS NOT KNOWN IN THE
ROOM FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR. THE PASSENGER WENT TO THE
LOUNGE WITH THE REST OF THE PASSENGERS.

ON THE LAST DAY OF THE HIJACKING, THE HIJACKERS, WHO
[REDACTED] NOW DESCRIBED AS PLOS, SAID THEY HAD WON THE RELEASE
OF 52 OTHER PLOS. [REDACTED] INDICATED THAT THE HIJACKERS DID
NOT SPEAK TO THE AMERICAN PASSENGERS TOO MUCH, AND THAT THE
ITALIAN AND GERMAN PASSENGERS WERE MORE INFORMED. SHE ALSO
FELT THAT THE CREW MEMBERS AND ORCHESTRA MEMBERS HAD MORE
COMMUNICATION WITH THE HIJACKERS. ON THE LAST DAY OF THE
HIJACKING, THE HIJACKERS BROUGHT SOME OF THE SHIP CREW MEMBERS
UP FROM THE ENGINE ROOM AND SOLICITED APPLAUSE FOR THEM FROM
THE PASSENGERS. WHEN IT WAS APPARENT THAT THE HIJACKERS WERE
GOING TO LEAVE, MANY OF THE CREW MEMBERS APPEARED VERY FRIENDLY
WITH THEM. THE CREW MEMBERS LATER TOLD THE PASSENGERS THAT
THEY WERE JUST APPEASING THE HIJACKERS. ON THIS LAST DAY

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ALL THE AMERICAN PASSENGERS BEGAN TO LOOK FOR LEO KLINGHOFFER.
MARILYN KLINGHOFFER, WIFE OF LEO KLINGHOFFER, FIRST WENT TO
THE SHIP'S HOSPITAL IN SEARCH OF HER HUSBAND. [REDACTED] FOLLOWED
MRS. KLINGHOFFER TO THE HOSPITAL AND OVERHEARD THE DOCTORS
SAYING THAT MRS. KLINGHOFFER SHOULD NOT HAVE COME DOWN THERE
ALONE. [REDACTED] NOTED THAT THE DOCTORS WERE NOT KEPT IN THE
LOUNGE WITH THE REST OF THE PASSENGERS DURING THE HIJACKING.
SHE THEN WENT TO THE CAPTAIN'S DECK AND OBSERVED THAT THE
CAPTAIN TOLD MARILYN KLINGHOFFER THAT HER HUSBAND LEO WAS MISSING.
THE CAPTAIN TOLD [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] WAS THE NEXT PERSON
TO BE KILLED AND THAT HE HAD SAVED HER LIFE. THE CAPTAIN OF
THE SHIP SHOWED [REDACTED] HER PASSPORT WHICH WAS KEPT IN A
STACK OF AMERICAN PASSPORTS. HE ADVISED HER THAT THE PASSPORTS
WERE KEPT IN THE ORDER OF WHO WAS TO DIE FIRST. [REDACTED]
NOTED THAT THIS STACK CONTAINED ALL THE AMERICAN PASSPORTS.

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Date: 10-15-85

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HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING GROUP INTERVIEWED THE FOLLOWING HOSTAGES WHO
HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM CAPTIVITY FROM THE ACHILLE LAURO.

SUMMARY RESULTS OF INTERVIEW FOLLOW:

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... AND TOLD THEM TO ...
AFTER A SHORT WHILE THE CAPTAINS ...
INFORMED THAT ALL PASSENGERS WERE TO REPORT TO THE DINING AREA.
ONCE ARRIVING IN THE DINING ROOM THEY WERE CONFRONTED BY TWO OR
THREE TERRORISTS WHO INSTRUCTED THEM TO SIT ON THE FLOOR AND
REMAIN QUIET. DURING THE COMOTION OF NEW PASSENGERS ARRIVING,
THE TERRORISTS WERE VOCALIZING THEIR DISCONTENTMENT WITH THE
U.S. AND PRESIDENT REAGAN AND MANY TIMES STATED PRO-PLO CHANTS.
THEY WERE KEPT IN THE DINING ROOM FOR THREE HOURS AND THEN WERE
TAKEN UP TO THE LOUNGE AREA WHERE THEY WERE SEPARATED ACCORDING
TO NATIONALITY. THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY COLLECTING PASSPORTS
AND SEGREGATING ACCORDINGLY. DURING THIS TIME, THEY WERE NEVER
SEARCHED AND THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO GO TO THEIR ROOMS EXCEPT
FOR THOSE WHO NEEDED MEDICINE, WHO WERE ESCORTED INDIVIDUALLY
TO THEIR ROOMS. DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME THEY WERE KEPT IN THE

SECTION OF THEIR CAPTIVITY.

ONE TIME WEDNESDAY THE AMERICANS AND FOUR BRITISH PASSENGERS, WHO WERE A PART OF THE SHIP'S ENTERTAINMENT, WERE ESCORTED TO THE SHIP'S BOW AND EVENLY SPACED ON THE DECK. THE TERRORISTS REQUESTED BARRELS OF KEROSENE BUT WERE ONLY ABLE TO OBTAIN DIESEL FUEL, WHICH WAS PLACED IN THEIR VICINITY. [REDACTED] STATED THAT THEY WERE REQUIRED TO STAY IN A SITTING POSITION FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE AND ONE-HALF HOURS AND WERE GUARDED BY ONE TERRORIST AND AT TIMES TWO. DURING THIS TIME, SHE THOUGHT SHE MAY HAVE HEARD A GUNSHOT FOLLOWED BY A SPLASH. PRIOR TO THEIR BEING TAKEN TO THE BOW OF THE SHIP, MRS. KLINGHOFFER PLEADED WITH THE TERRORISTS TO ALLOW HER HUSBAND TO REMAIN WITH THE GROUP OR TO ALLOW HER TO REMAIN WITH HER HUSBAND. THIS WAS NOT ALLOWED BY THE TERRORISTS AND THEY ASSURED MRS. KLINGHOFFER THAT HER HUSBAND WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF. SHE ADVISED THAT ALL THE TERRORISTS CARRIED WEAPONS SIMILAR TO MACHINE GUNS, HANDGUNS, AND GRENADES. SHE ALWAYS FELT AS IF HER LIFE WAS THREATENED.

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AT A POINT AFTER THE FIRST ROUND OF THE
PLAY, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT HAPPENED WAS THAT
SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS THAT HAPPENED WAS THAT
SHE DID NOT UNDERSTAND ANY OF THE CONVERSATION, EXCEPT IT SEEMED AS IF
ONE OF THEM ASKED THE OTHER "WHY" AND WAS ANSWERED WITH A WORD
THAT SOUNDED LIKE "PUNISHMENT".

THE HOSTAGES WERE THEN TAKEN BACK TO A SEPARATE ROOM WHERE
THEY WERE BROUGHT SANDWICHES AND COFFEE. AFTER A SHORT PERIOD OF
TIME THEY WERE TAKEN BACK TO THE LOUNGE. THEY WERE TOLD BY THE
HOSTAGES FROM THE OTHER COUNTRIES THAT THEY UNDERSTOOD THAT THE
AMERICAN HOSTAGES WERE GOING TO BE SHOT. THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES
WERE THEN SENT BACK TO THEIR CORNER OF THE LOUNGE. AT ONE POINT
DURING THIS ORDEAL, [REDACTED] WAS ONE OF THE THREE WOMEN WHO
WERE TOLD TO SIT IN A CIRCLE ON A PLATFORM. SHE DID NOT KNOW WHAT
WAS GOING TO HAPPEN TO HER, BUT NOTHING HAPPENED OTHER THAN BEING
TOLD TO SIT IN A CIRCLE BEFORE SHE AND THE OTHER TWO WOMEN WERE
SENT BACK TO THEIR GROUP. AT SOME POINT SHE HEARD THAT THE

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...NIGHT. I WOULD NOT HAVE BELIEVED THAT A KILLING WOULD TAKE PLACE. I BELIEVED BECAUSE ARAFAT HAD ORDERED THAT A KILLING TAKE PLACE. SHE BELIEVES THIS WAS NEAR THE END OF THE ORDEAL. SHE MENTIONED THAT THE FOUR BRITISH FEMALES WERE PRETTY TERRORIZED DURING THE WHOLE SITUATION. WHEN MRS. KLINGHOFFER ASKED WHETHER SHE COULD SEE HER HUSBAND SHE WAS TOLD SHE COULD NOT SEE HIM. SHE WAS TOLD HE MIGHT BE IN THE HOSPITAL. AT NO TIME BEFORE THE END OF THE ORDEAL, DID SHE THINK THAT MRS. KLINGHOFFER WAS SURE THAT HER HUSBAND HAD BEEN KILLED.

THE TERRORISTS GUARDED THE HOSTAGES SINGLY OR WITH TWO GUARDS. SHE NEVER REMEMBERED SEEING MORE THAN THREE OF THE TERRORISTS. THERE WAS NO NOTICEABLE ROUTINE TO THEIR RELIEVING EACH OTHER. SHE NEVER SAW THEM EAT ANYTHING AND SHE DOES NOT BELIEVE THEY SLEPT MUCH AT ALL. SHE HEARD FROM THE CREW THAT THEY WERE USING DOPE AT NIGHT. THE TERRORISTS NEVER MADE ANY REFERENCE TO A LEADER OR LEADERS OFF OF THE SHIP. THEY COMMUNICATED BY WALKIE-TALKIE AND DID NOT SEEM

SHE DID NOT NOTICE ANY SIGN OF TERROR. SHE SAID THEY
SPOKE FAIRLY GOOD ENGLISH AND DID NOT SEEM TOO WELL EDUCATED.

[] STATED THAT THE TERRORIST CALLED EACH OTHER BY
NAME BUT THAT THE ONLY NAME SHE COULD RECALL WAS THAT ONE SOUNDED
LIKE "WOOD". OF THE THREE TERRORISTS [] HAD CONTACT WITH
SHE IDENTIFIES WITH THEM AS ONE BEING "WOOD", THE SECOND BEING THE
MEANEST AND THE THIRD BEING A YOUNGER MAN WITH A MUSTACHE WHO
USUALLY DISPLAYED SIGNS OF KINDNESS AND SYMPATHY. [] WAS
UNABLE TO ASCERTAIN A LEADER BUT THAT IN TALKING WITH OTHER
HOSTAGES BELIEVES SHE IDENTIFIES AS BEING THE MEANEST COULD POSSIBLY
HAVE BEEN THE PERSON IN CHARGE. THE ONLY DESCRIPTION SHE COULD
PROVIDE WAS THAT THE MEANER WAS SHORTER AND WELL DRESSED. THE
MORE COMPASSIONATE WAS ABOUT 5'10", WORE LEVIS AND NO OTHER
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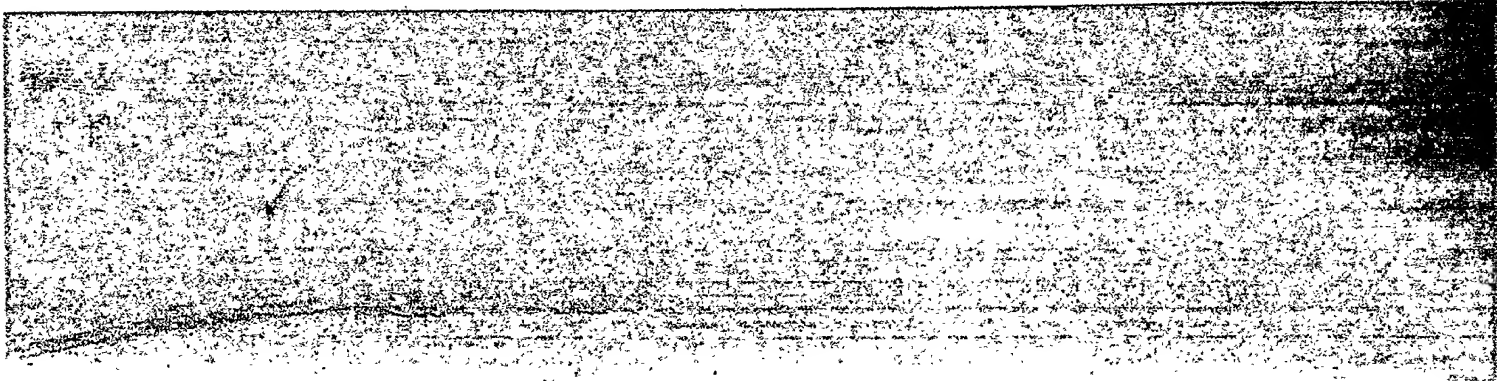
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~~RE: NEWARK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, OCTOBER 12, 1985.~~

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ON OCTOBER 12, 1985, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE INTERAGENCY
HOSTAGE DEBRIEFING GROUP INTERVIEWED THE FOLLOWING HOSTAGES WHO
HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM CAPTIVITY FROM THE ACHILLE LAURO.

SUMMARY RESULTS OF INTERVIEW FOLLOW:

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ADVISED THAT ON OCTOBER 7, 1985, SHORTLY AFTER LUNCH, A LOUD SHOUTING AND SHOTS WERE OVERHEARD AFTER WHICH A CREW MEMBER APPROACHED AND TOLD THEM TO ACCOMPANY HIM TO THE LOWER DECKS. AFTER A SHORT WHILE THE CAPTAIN ANNOUNCED OVER THE SHIP'S INTERCOM THAT ALL PASSENGERS WERE TO REPORT TO THE DINING AREA. ONCE ARRIVING IN THE DINING ROOM THEY WERE CONFRONTED BY TWO OR THREE TERRORISTS WHO INSTRUCTED THEM TO SIT ON THE FLOOR AND REMAIN QUIET. DURING THE COMMOTION OF NEW PASSENGERS ARRIVING, THE TERRORISTS WERE VOCALIZING THEIR DISCONTENTMENT WITH THE U.S. AND PRESIDENT REAGAN AND MANY TIMES STATED PRO-PLO CHANTS. THEY WERE KEPT IN THE DINING ROOM FOR THREE HOURS AND THEN WERE TAKEN UP TO THE LOUNGE AREA WHERE THEY WERE SEPARATED ACCORDING TO NATIONALITY. THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED BY COLLECTING PASSPORTS AND SEGREGATING ACCORDINGLY. DURING THIS TIME, THEY WERE NEVER SEARCHED AND THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO GO TO THEIR ROOMS EXCEPT FOR THOSE WHO NEEDED MEDICINE, WHO WERE ESCORTED INDIVIDUALLY TO THEIR ROOMS. DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME THEY WERE KEPT IN THE

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LOUNGE THEY WERE ALLOWED TO USE THE RESTROOMS AT SPECIFIC TIMES AND THEY WERE FED SANDWICHES AND COFFEE DURING THE ENTIRE DURATION OF THEIR CAPTIVITY.

SOME TIME TUESDAY THE AMERICANS AND FOUR BRITISH FEMALES, WHO WERE A PART OF THE SHIP'S ENTERTAINMENT, WERE ESCORTED TO THE SHIP'S BOW AND EVENLY SPACED ON THE DECK. THE TERRORISTS REQUESTED BARRELS OF KEROSENE BUT WERE ONLY ABLE TO OBTAIN DIESEL FUEL, WHICH WAS PLACED IN THEIR VICINITY. [REDACTED] STATED THAT THEY WERE REQUIRED TO STAY IN A SITTING POSITION FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE AND ONE-HALF HOURS AND WERE GUARDED BY ONE TERRORIST AND AT TIMES TWO. DURING THIS TIME, SHE THOUGHT SHE MAY HAVE HEARD A GUNSHOT FOLLOWED BY A SPLASH. PRIOR TO THEIR BEING TAKEN TO THE BOW OF THE SHIP, MRS. KLINGHOFFER PLEADED WITH THE TERRORISTS TO ALLOW HER HUSBAND TO REMAIN WITH THE GROUP OR TO ALLOW HER TO REMAIN WITH HER HUSBAND. THIS WAS NOT ALLOWED BY THE TERRORISTS AND THEY ASSURED MRS. KLINGHOFFER THAT HER HUSBAND WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF. SHE ADVISED THAT ALL THE TERRORISTS CARRIED WEAPONS SIMILAR TO MACHINE GUNS, HANDGUNS, AND GRENADES. SHE ALWAYS FELT AS IF HER LIFE WAS THREATENED

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ALTHOUGH SHE WAS NEVER SPECIFICALLY THREATENED HERSELF.

AT SOME POINT AFTER SHE THOUGHT SHE HEARD THE SHOT AND THE SPLASH, ONE OF THE TERRORISTS CAME UP TO THE BOW AND HAD A CONVERSATION WITH ANOTHER TERRORIST IN THEIR NATIVE LANGUAGE. SHE DID NOT UNDERSTAND ANY OF THE CONVERSATION EXCEPT IT SEEMED AS IF ONE OF THEM ASKED THE OTHER "WHY" AND WAS ANSWERED WITH A WORD THAT SOUNDED LIKE "PUNISHMENT".

THE HOSTAGES WERE THEN TAKEN BACK TO A SEPARATE ROOM WHERE THEY WERE BROUGHT SANDWICHES AND COFFEE. AFTER A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME THEY WERE TAKEN BACK TO THE LOUNGE. THEY WERE TOLD BY THE HOSTAGES FROM THE OTHER COUNTRIES THAT THEY UNDERSTOOD THAT THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES WERE GOING TO BE SHOT. THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES WERE THEN SENT BACK TO THEIR CORNER OF THE LOUNGE. AT ONE POINT DURING THIS ORDEAL, [REDACTED] WAS ONE OF THE THREE WOMEN WHO WERE TOLD TO SIT IN A CIRCLE ON A PLATFORM. SHE DID NOT KNOW WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN TO HER, BUT NOTHING HAPPENED OTHER THAN BEING TOLD TO SIT IN A CIRCLE BEFORE SHE AND THE OTHER TWO WOMEN WERE SENT BACK TO THEIR GROUP. AT SOME POINT SHE HEARD THAT THE

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TERRORISTS WANTED 50 PRISONERS RELEASED IN EXCHANGE FOR THE FREEING OF THE HOSTAGES. SHE WAS TOLD THAT ALL OF THE AMERICANS WERE NUMBERED FOR EXECUTION AND THAT HER NUMBER WAS NUMBER FIVE OR NUMBER EIGHT. AT SOME POINT SHE LEARNED THAT NO ONE WAS GOING TO BE KILLED BECAUSE ARAFAT HAD ORDERED THAT NO KILLING TAKE PLACE. SHE BELIEVES THIS WAS NEAR THE END OF HER ORDEAL. SHE MENTIONED THAT THE FOUR BRITISH FEMALES WERE PRETTY TERRORIZED DURING THE WHOLE SITUATION. WHEN MRS. KLINGHOFFER ASKED WHETHER SHE COULD SEE HER HUSBAND SHE WAS TOLD SHE COULD NOT SEE HIM. SHE WAS TOLD HE MIGHT BE IN THE HOSPITAL. AT NO TIME BEFORE THE END OF THE ORDEAL, DID SHE THINK THAT MRS. KLINGHOFFER WAS SURE THAT HER HUSBAND HAD BEEN KILLED.

THE TERRORISTS GUARDED THE HOSTAGES SINGLY OR WITH TWO GUARDS. SHE NEVER REMEMBERED SEEING MORE THAN THREE OF THE TERRORISTS. THERE WAS NO NOTICEABLE ROUTINE TO THEIR RELIEVING EACH OTHER. SHE NEVER SAW THEM EAT ANYTHING AND SHE DOES NOT BELIEVE THEY SLEPT MUCH AT ALL. SHE HEARD FROM THE CREW THAT THEY WERE USING DOPE AT NIGHT. THE TERRORISTS NEVER MADE ANY REFERENCE TO A LEADER OR LEADERS OFF OF THE SHIP. THEY COMMUNICATED BY WALKIE-TALKIE AND DID NOT SEEM

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TO BE USING ANY CODE. THE ONLY CODE THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WAS IN THEIR NATIVE LANGUAGE. [] NOTICED THAT AS TIME PASSED THE TERRORISTS' HOSTILITY AND THREATS BECAME LESS NOTICEABLE BUT THAT SHE DID NOT NOTICE ANY SIGNS OF FATIGUE. SHE SAID THEY SPOKE FAIRLY GOOD ENGLISH BUT DID NOT SEEM TOO WELL EDUCATED.

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[] STATED THAT THE TERRORISTS CALLED EACH OTHER BY NAME BUT THAT THE ONLY NAME SHE COULD RECALL WAS THAT ONE SOUNDED LIKE "WOOD". OF THE THREE TERRORISTS [] HAD CONTACT WITH SHE IDENTIFIES WITH THEM AS ONE BEING "WOOD", THE SECOND BEING THE MEANEST AND THE THIRD BEING A YOUNGER MAN WITH A MUSTACHE WHO USUALLY DISPLAYED SIGNS OF KINDNESS AND SYMPATHY. [] WAS UNABLE TO ASCERTAIN A LEADER BUT THAT IN TALKING WITH OTHER HOSTAGES BELIEVES SHE IDENTIFIES AS BEING THE MEANEST COULD POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN THE PERSON IN CHARGE. THE ONLY DESCRIPTION SHE COULD PROVIDE WAS THAT THE MEANER WAS SHORTER AND WELL DRESSED. THE MORE COMPASSIONATE WAS ABOUT 5'10", WORE LEVIS AND NO OTHER DISTINCTIVE CLOTHING. A THIRD INDIVIDUAL SHE REMEMBERS BEING ABOUT

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6, WEARING A BLUE TANK TOP AND LEVIS. NONE OF THE TERRORISTS WORE ANY PATCHES OR INSIGNIA DISPLAYING ALLEGIANCE TO ANY GROUP OR POLITICAL FACTION. SHE HEARD NONE OF THEM DISCUSS THEIR PERSONAL LIVES NOR DISCUSS ANYTHING ELSE OTHER THAN THEIR SUPPORT OF THE PLO. OTHER THAN THE GUNS AND GRENADES THAT SHE SAW BEING CARRIED BY THE TERRORISTS, THE ONLY OTHER MUNITIONS SHE OBSERVED WERE BARRELS THAT COULD HAVE BEEN EXPLOSIVES. SHE SAW NO EVIDENCE OF BOOBY-TRAPS OR ANY OTHER DEFENSIVE PROTECTION BY THE TERRORISTS.

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~~RE: NSMARR TELETYPE TO BUREAU, OCTOBER 12, 1985.~~

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AND COPIES OF FD-302S TO INTERESTED OFFICES.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU:

THE BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH ABOVE INFORMATION TO LEGAT,
ROME AND LEGAT, BONN.

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Date: 10/15/85

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FM: DIRECTOR, FBI

TO: Legat Bonn
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For: _____

Subject: _____

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Approved By: <u>FC/PEB</u>	Originator: _____	Tele Ext. 4660	Room/Div.: 4255 / 6
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ON 03-18-2010Date: 10/23/85 PRECEDENCE: ☒ IMMEDIATE ☐ PRIORITY ☐ ROUTINE

FM: DIRECTOR, FBI

TO: FBI WFO

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Defense Intelligence Agency/DIA/ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

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Classification: Secret

Addressee Internal Distribution

For: _____

Subject: main salon Hostage Taking - Terrorism; OO: WFO

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Approved By: <u>PWS</u>	Originator: <u> </u>	Tele Ext. <u>4575</u>	Room/Div.: <u>4239/6</u>
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USE AND PREPARATION OF FORM 0-73

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(RESTRICTED USE)

Date: 10-9-85 PRECEDENCE:☒ IMMEDIATE☐ PRIORITY☐ ROUTINEDECLASSIFIED BY 60324 UC BAW/SAB/MJS
ON 03-18-2010

FM: DIRECTOR, FBI

TO: All Legats

- ☐ White House/WH/
☐ Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Firearms/BATF/
☐ Central Intelligence Agency/CIA/
☐ CIA DCD/DCD/
☐ Dept. of Energy HQS/DOEHQ/
☐ Dept. of Energy Germantown DIV/DOE/
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☐ Dept. of State/DOS/
☐ Dept. of the Army/DA/
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☐ Other: _____

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Classification: SECRET

Addressee Internal Distribution

For: _____

Subject: 256-12-49☒ See Attached

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Approved By: <u>FC/uy</u>	Originator: _____	Tele Ext. <u>2805</u>	Room/Div.: <u>5027-Div. 6</u>
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~~FM. FBI, WASHINGTON FIELD (256-2) (P) (C-1)~~

~~TO: DIRECTOR, FBI~~ ~~IMMEDIATE~~

~~ATTN: TERRORISM SECTION~~

ALL FIELD OFFICES AND LEGATS VIA FBHQ

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MAIN SALON; HOSTAGE TAKING-TERRORISM; OO:WFO
WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (256-2) ADVISED BY TELETYPE OCTOBER 9, 1985, AS FOLLOWS:
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FOR THE INFORMATION OF RECIPIENTS WHO HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS OFFICE OF ORIGIN CONCERNING CAPTIONED MATTER, THE INVESTIGATION OF THE ARMED SEIZURE OF THE ITALIAN CRUISE SHIP ACHILLE LAURO BY PALESTINIAN TERRORISTS OFF OF ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION INDICATES THAT THE ACHILLE LAURO WAS SEIZED BY A GROUP OF PALESTINIAN TERRORISTS (POSSIBLY SEVEN

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COMMAND (PFLP-GC) WHOSE LEADER IS [REDACTED]. THE PLF IS
REPORTEDLY LEAD BY ABU AL ABBAS AND [REDACTED]. THE PLF
SPLIT FROM THE PFLP-GC BECAUSE OF ITS COLLUSION WITH SYRIA
OVER THE LEBANESE SITUATION. THE PLF MAY BE BACKED BY IRAQ.
THE PLF IS REPORTEDLY A SMALL RADICAL ORGANIZATION THAT IS OPPOSED
3 TO PLO CHAIRMAN YASSER ARAFAT AND HIS ONGOING PEACE INITIATIVE
WITH KING HUSSEIN OF JORDAN. PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF WFO
RECORDS DOES NOT PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING
THE PLF.

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WFO ASSETS HAVE REPORTED THAT PLO CHAIRMAN YASSER ARAFAT
IS NOT INVOLVED IN THIS TERRORIST OPERATION AND IS IN THE PROCESS
OF WORKING WITH THE ITALIAN AND EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENTS TO MEDIATE A
RESOLUTION OF THIS CRISIS. ONE IMPORTANT WFO ASSET SPECULATES
THAT THE PLF UNDERTOOK THIS OPERATION IN LARGE PART TO
EMBARASS ARAFAT AND TO TORPEDO THIS PEACE INITIATIVE. OFFICIAL
PLO STATEMENTS IN THE PRESS DISAVOW INVOLVEMENT OF THE MAINSTREAM
OF THE PLO.

WFO CONTACT WITH U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE TASK FORCE AND
U.S. PASSPORT OFFICE PRELIMINARILY INDICATES THAT TEN AMERICANS
REMAINED ABOARD THE SHIP AT THE TIME OF SEIZURE, THEIR NAMES

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ARE AS FOLLOWS: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LEON AND MARILYN KLINGHOFFER; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

HAS YET BEEN OBTAINED REGARDING THESE INDIVIDUALS. USDS

IS UNAWARE OF ANY OTHER AMERICANS BEING ABOARD THE SHIP.

4 ON 10/8/85, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ESTABLISHED FBI JURISDICTION OVER THIS MATTER AND ADVISED PROSECUTION CAN BE SOUGHT IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS: HOSTAGE TAKING, TITLE 18, SECTION 1203; PRIRACY, TITLE 18, SECTION 1651; AND CRIME ON THE HIGH SEAS, TITLE 18, SECTION 2271, ET SEQ.

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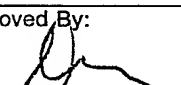
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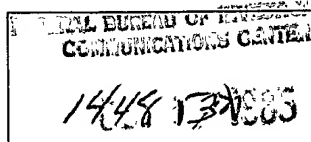
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COMMUNICATION TO LEGAT ROME.

FOR INFORMATION OF LEGAT ROME THE FOLLOWING ALEXANDRIA,
WFO AND FBIHQ PERSONNEL ARE ENROUTE TO ROME, ITALY FOR
ASSISTANCE IN CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION RE CAPTIONED MATTER.
ADDITIONALLY, THE BELOW INDIVIDUALS RESPECTIVE SECURITY
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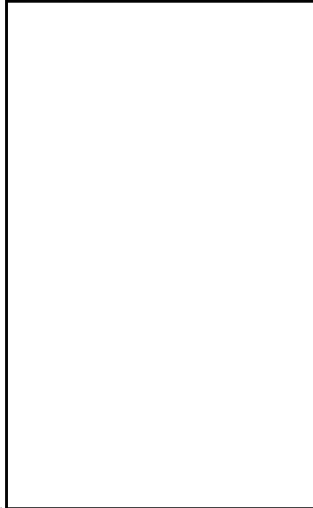
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MAIN SALON - HOSTAGE TAKING TERRORISM; 00: WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

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THE CRIME SCENE SEARCH OF THE ACHILLE LAURO CONDUCTED BY BUREAU LABORATORY AND IDENTIFICATION DIVISION PERSONNEL ON OCTOBER 17, 1985 RESULTED IN THE RECOVERY OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. SUSPECTED BLOOD SWABBINGS FROM DECK.
2. HAIR SAMPLES FROM SUSPECTS' BERTH.
3. VACUUM SWEEPINGS FROM SUSPECTS' BERTH.
4. LATENT FINGERPRINT LIFTS FROM SUSPECTS' BERTH.
5. METAL FRAGMENTS FROM CEILING OF DINING ROOM.

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IN ORDER FOR ANY MEANINGFUL FORENSIC ANALYSES AND		
COMPARISONS TO BE DONE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, IF AVAILABLE, NEED		
20	TO BE SECURED AND SENT TO THE LABORATORY:	
18	A. BLOOD SAMPLE FROM KLINGHOFFER	
16	B. HEAD HAIR FROM KLINGHOFFER	
14	C. KLINGHOFFER'S CLOTHING	
12	D. CLOTHING WORN BY SUSPECTS AT THE TIME THE SHOOTING OF	
10	KLINGHOFFER OCCURRED	
8	E. WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION IN POSSESSION OF SUSPECTS AT	
6	THE TIME OF THE HIJACKING	
4	F. PROJECTILES REMOVED FROM KLINGHOFFER'S BODY AT THE	
2	AUTOPSY	
	G. MAJOR CASE PRINTS OF SUSPECTS	
	H. HEAD AND PUBIC HAIR SAMPLES FROM SUSPECTS.	
	LEGAT ROME IS REQUESTED TO:	
	1. DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS {A-H} ARE AVAILABLE	
	2. SECURE AVAILABLE ITEMS AND FORWARD TO LABORATORY	
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY & IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,
LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

FROM: SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE (256-2)

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Re Legat, Rome, tel to Director, dated 10/23/85.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the following items:

- Q1-3 1) Three copper pieces of metal removed from ceiling panel #15 aboard the Achille Lauro, believed to be bullet fragments.
- Q4 2) Paint chip with unknown stain taken from over top doorway, approximately sixty feet from site of shooting aboard Achille Lauro.
- Q5-8) Four original photograph order forms filled out by "PETROS" on cruise #18 of Achille Lauro.
- Q9-124) Four original photograph order forms filled out by terrorists aboard cruise #18 of Achille Lauro.
- Q13 5) Shirt worn by witness who was forced to throw LEON KLINGHOFFER into sea.
- Q14 6) Cloth towel with blood stains used by witness to wipe off blood from his leg witness received from moving KLINGHOFFER's body.

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Q157) Metal pot lid showing entrance and exit bullet holes, with possible bullet fragment remaining in top of lid.

A158) Xerox copy of Russian made automatic weapon KALASHNIKOV.

On 10/17/85, FBI Laboratory and Latent Fingerprint technicians boarded the Italian Cruise Ship Achille Lauro in Genova, Italy. They processed the crime scene areas of the ship known at that time. Subsequent investigation aboard the ship, however, developed other areas on board where physical evidence was located. This evidence was secured by the FBI Investigative Team that continued with the ship and is enclosed herewith.

The Bureau is requested to conduct the following examination:

FBI LABORATORY DIVISION

Is requested to examine the copper pieces of metal listed in Item #1 to determine if they are bullet fragments, will determine their caliber and if weapon markings exist on fragments. Will also remove fragment of metal imbedded in pot lid (Item #7), and conduct appropriate examination to determine if bullet fragment, its caliber and possible markings.

The Laboratory Division is also requested to examine Item #2 for possible blood residue and compare with blood type of LEON KLINGHOFFER who was shot aboard Achille Lauro. Will examine cloth towel and shirt worn by witness who was forced to throw victim into sea, for blood stains which might be typed and compared with victim.

Will maintain photograph of Items #3 and 4 for possible handwriting comparison at a later date.

FBI IDENTIFICATION DIVISION,

Latent Fingerprint Section

Is requested to conduct latent fingerprint examination on enclosed Items #3 and 4, and maintain for possible future comparisons against subjects in captioned matter.

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